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COMMENT OF THE DAY

ONE MAN'S WAR

THE attack on Sumatra by forces of the Djakarta Government has started the Indonesian civil war in earnest, but even if President Soekarno were to win quick success—and this seems improbable—it would be unlikely to bring the rebellion to an end. He would have to face a waiting and prolonged guerrilla resistance.

Even now it is not too late to avert this tragedy. President Soekarno could end the rebellion at a stroke by removing his Communist advisers and redressing the grievances of the outer islands with the help of the respected Dr Hatta. This, however, he has refused to do.

If President Soekarno has gone to extremes, it is almost certainly under the pressure of his Communist allies for whom the rebellion broke out in Sumatra they felt the ground quaking under their feet.

Delays

PROBABLY President Soekarno did not need much persuading. The delays before he opened his attack on Sumatra were due to technical difficulties. Moreover, the President was doubtful about the loyalty of the troops at his disposal as many of them sympathized with the rebel government.

There is little doubt that one reason for the discontent of the army has been the re-appointment of Communist officers who were dismissed after the Communist coup in Medan in 1949. At that time the Communists had stabbed the Indonesian army in the back when it was engaged in the war with the Dutch and this has never been forgotten or forgiven.

Paper War

IN the interval before the attack President Soekarno carried on a paper war with the Javanese news agencies putting out reports of successes which were untrue. President Soekarno's propaganda is that the commanders who have rebelled are separatists who are endangering the unity of the country.

In fact, they are, from his point of view, very much more dangerous. They have set up an alternative government, not for Sumatra alone, but for all Indonesia.

Superiority

ON paper, President Soekarno has at the moment a superiority of force, but in a civil war of this kind, fundamental changes can come about overnight. The spirit of revolt cannot be allayed merely by military successes. The revolt put down in one centre today may flare up in another tomorrow.

If President Soekarno allows the war to drag on what little is left of Indonesia's sagging economy cannot be saved, but he seems determined to follow the course he has set and the outcome can only lead to tragedy and strife which will make the war with the Dutch pale into insignificance.

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TRANSPORT STRIKE THREAT

Govt Asked To Step In On Rail Dispute

London, Apr. 17. Recent top-level "peace talks" over Britain's threatened nationwide rail strike today brought agreement by both sides that the Government should be brought in right away. Sir Brian Robertson, Chairman of the British Transport Commission, went to see the Minister of Transport, Mr Harold Watkinson, tonight as soon as the talks closed for the day.

A BTC spokesman said the unions and the commission had agreed it would be "helpful" for the Government to be brought in without delay. But neither side was committed any further than that, he added.

Crisis Committee

The six-wide crisis committee representing the BTC and three rail unions—the National Union of Railwaymen, the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen and the Transport Salaried Staffs Association—met for two and a half hours today.

The railmen want the commission to act on an arbitration tribunal minority report urging a 3.2 cost of living pay rise followed by a full-scale wage review. They claim that pay on the railways compares unfavourably with levels in other nationalised industries and public services.

Sir Brian has said that the key to improvement in the railmen's position lies in increasing modernisation.

Busmen's New Pay Demands Rejected

London, Apr. 17. Chances of a general London bus strike on May 5 increased today when Mr Harold Watkinson, British Transport Minister, rejected bus leaders' protests over a proposed cut in bus services.

The strike on May 5 to support wage demands had asked him to stop the transport executive's plan to reduce bus services by four per cent from April 30. The 50,000 bus workers have threatened to ban all over-time from April 30 in protest at the new economies which they fear may cause unemployment and loss of earnings.

Fully Backed

Mr Watkinson told their union leaders that he fully backed the Transport Authority's policy and he would not interfere.

The management ordered the services' cuts and rejected new pay demands because they claim the buses are not paying their way.—China Mail Special.

"DESERT RATS" GET NEW NAME

London, Apr. 18. The Seventh Armoured Division—known as the "Desert Rats" from their wartime exploits in North Africa—are to be re-designated the Fifth Division under re-deployment plans in the British Army of the Rhine.

Announcing this, the War Office said the "Desert Rats" formation sign would now only be worn by all ranks of the Seventh Armoured Brigade Group, "natural heirs" of the

Seventh Armoured Division. The amalgamation of the Devonshire Regiment and the Dorset Regiment under Britain's new Army streamlining plans will take place at Minden, West Germany, in May 19, the War Office announced today. The new regiment will be called "The Devonshire and Dorset Regiment."—China Mail Special.

De Gaulle To Be Called In?

Paris, Apr. 17. French political commentators today once more raised the name of General Charles de Gaulle as in previous Cabinet crises, in speculation as to who might solve the political deadlock.

This suggestion has been studied each time a Cabinet has fallen before, but rapidly discarded.

No immediate indications tend to show that the result will be different this time, unless certain political leaders change their minds.

Solution

Meanwhile, President Rene Coty continued his consultations with leaders of all shades of opinion, hoping to find an early solution to the crisis.

The former Governor-General of Algeria, Jacques Susse, a Social Republican Deputy, who conducted the National Assembly's offensive against Premier Gaillard when he fell on Tuesday night, will very likely be received by Coty within the next 24 hours.

Some surprise was expressed in political circles when former Premier, Edgar Faure, leader of the centre-left "Rally of the Left Republicans," said that he thought an appeal to De Gaulle "might be envisaged."

Elections

De Gaulle, now 69, is the former Chief of "Free France" who led the resistance against the German occupation during the war and headed the provisional government after liberation, but quit power in January, 1946.

Informed sources said tonight Coty will not designate anyone to make a try for the premiership until Monday, the day after important nationwide local elections.

This is the first political crisis ever to come at election time. With the deadlock deepening, Coty, 76, asked all six premiers who have held office—since he became Chief of State in 1953 to meet him tomorrow for further consultations.—France—Presse and United Press.

HAVE YOU sent in your nomination for Hongkong's Footballer Of The Year?

If not, you have from now until Saturday, May 3, to do so. Turn to the Sports Pages for the nomination form

Outcry Against Hongkong's Garment Export

Manchester, Apr. 17. The Overall Manufacturers Association of Great Britain at their annual meeting here today passed a resolution asking for the question of imports of made-up garments from abroad to be included in discussions in London next month between representatives of the United Kingdom, India and Pakistan on the imports problem.

The resolution will be sent to the President of the Board of Trade and the Cotton Board.

One Association official said Hongkong was bent on putting up finishing plants in a very large way. It was their object to ship as many garments and as little grey cloth in future. Last year over 30 million yards equivalent in cloth was imported into Britain in shirts.

Mr N. W. Hey, Chairman of the Association, said he was disappointed that the budget had not exempted overalls from tax.

More Menacing

Referring to Far East competition he said the position was now becoming more menacing as these countries turned their attention to the export of made-up goods including "cheaply made" overalls.

He hoped the Government would find some way whereby political prejudices could be put aside and some positive action taken so that the cotton industry would not be forced out of existence by mercenary dumping.—Reuter.

AMERICAN OBSERVERS AT TESTS

London, Apr. 17. Mr Harold Macmillan, the Prime Minister, made it clear today that American observers would be invited to watch the forthcoming nuclear test at Christmas Island in the Pacific.

A Labour member, Mr Emrys Hughes, had asked in the House of Commons whether American and Russian observers would be invited to witness the tests. Mr Macmillan said that in the past British policy had been to invite United States observers to the Christmas Island tests. In return Britain had received invitations to certain United States tests.

SAME POLICY

"We shall follow the same policy in the future," he added. Mr Macmillan went on: "We have not invited Soviet Russia to send observers to our tests, nor have we received invitations to their tests. But it would remind the House that last year the British Government put forward proposals at the Disarmament Sub-committee of the United Nations, the first stage of which included the advance registration of tests and limited international observation, which proposal was rejected by the Soviet representatives."—Reuter.

New Wave Of Violence In Cyprus

Nicosia, Apr. 17. New tension gripped Cyprus today after a wave of bombings, shootings and a fire.

The incidents took place here and in Famagusta last night in scenes reminiscent of the tension which held the British-ruled island before the unilaterally declared "truce" by EOKA, the Greek Cypriot Nationalist group, just over a year ago.

Shots fired in Famagusta last night caused a scare in the Greek Cypriot community. The shots were fired by military policemen, when a truck refused to halt at their command. The truck's occupants, Greek Cypriot Left-wingers, refused to stop because they thought they were ordered to halt by EOKA men. No one was hurt.

SABOTEURS

Meanwhile, a fire, believed to have been caused by saboteurs, raged through a government electrical supply store in Famagusta. The building was severely damaged, and 400 telegraph poles were destroyed. In Nicosia, two explosions took place at midnight.

In the first, a water pump on a Forestry Department site was destroyed.

In the second, a reserve police station just outside town was blasted.—United Press.

LABOUR GETS 59 PER CENT OF VOTES

London, Apr. 17. The official results of the London County Council elections today gave the Labour Party 101 seats and the Conservative Party 25 seats.

In the Labour landslide victory, 27 former Tory seats were taken over by Labour candidates.

The Labour Party received 1,243,125 votes, 59 per cent of the total ballots cast and 8.7 per cent more than in the last elections.

The Conservative Party received 798,561 votes, 37.3 per cent of the total and 20 per cent less than in the last elections.

The Liberals received 57,424 votes and the Communists gathered 4,772 votes, but took no seats.—France-Press.

TRIED TO KILL SELF, BUT ENDS UP IN GAOL INSTEAD

Valencia, Apr. 17. Angel Gonzalez Garcia, 36, decided yesterday to end it all as he threw himself in front of a truck.

The driver swerved over the sidewalk and crashed into a wall. Garcia was not injured. While running from the driver Garcia saw another truck coming and jumped in front of it. This driver swerved and rolled down an embankment. Again Garcia was unhurt.

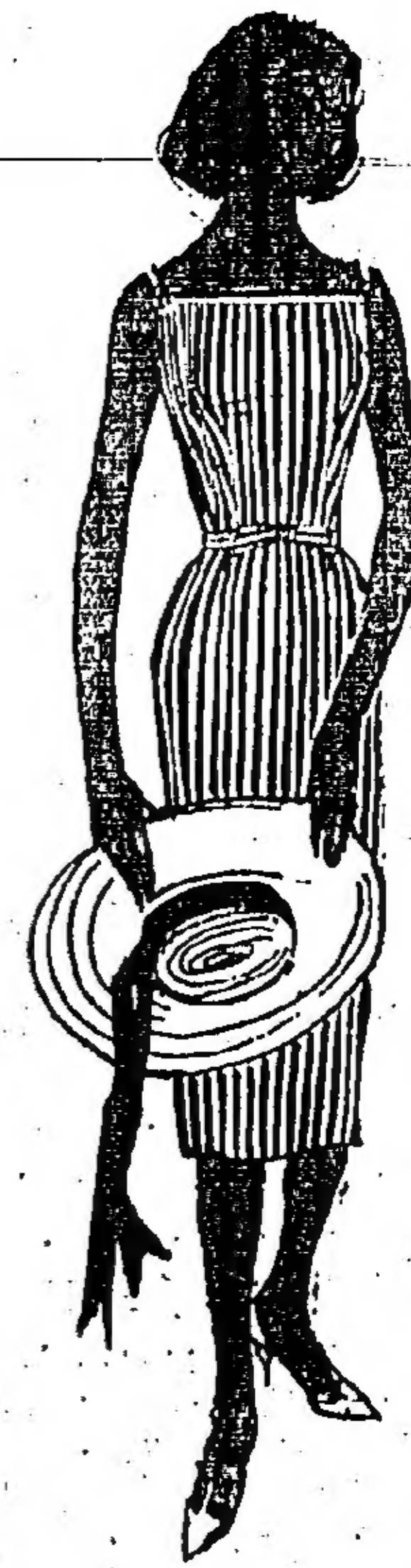
To escape from the two furious drivers, Garcia jumped on a nearby horse and galloped away. When he reached a nearby railroad bridge he tied a rope around his neck, threw the rope over a girder and leaped into space. Passing labourers Juan Cid and Bartolome Alonso saw him swinging from the bridge, cut him down and hurried him to the hospital where a doctor found him out of breath and suffering from a bruised neck. Police gaoled Garcia today on charges that he damaged the two trucks.—United Press.

Good Offices Mission

London, Apr. 17. British and American good offices envoys in the Franco-Tunisian dispute, Harold Beeley and Robert Murphy, arrived in London tonight by air from Paris.

On arrival, the American representative told the press: "I would not say that our mission is completed by the present French political situation. It is just suspended."

Beeley said: "It would be wrong to say that we have not made any progress."—France-Press.



Strijdom's Party Rides To Victory

Johannesburg, Apr. 17. Dr Johannes Strijdom's ruling Nationalist Party rode to victory in South Africa's general election this afternoon as results flowed in from country districts.

With 33 results outstanding from traditionally Nationalist seats, the National Party had 74 seats compared with 49 for the opposition United Party led by Sir De Villiers Graaff.

GRAAFF LOSES

Johannesburg, Apr. 17. Sir De Villiers Graaff, leader of the United Party, was defeated in his constituency in the South African general election.—Reuter.

The smaller parties who held eight seats in the last 1954 member house, have been crushed and for the first time since the Union was created in 1910 no Labour member has been returned.

With the swing towards the Nationalist Party, the Nationalists are now not only ahead in seats but also in the aggregate number of votes in the 132 contested areas. Twenty-four United Party members were returned, unopposed.

At dissolution the Nationalist Party held 80 seats, the United Party 52, Labour four and Independents four.

This was the first time a party has been returned to power for a third successive five-year term.

The result attested South Africa's support for the Nationalist racial policy of total segregation of whites and blacks (who have no vote) to ensure continued supremacy for the Union's three million white people of Dutch and British descent.—Reuter.

THE WAR OF WORDS: BOTH SIDES CLAIM VICTORY IN SUMATRA

Singapore, Apr. 17. BOTH sides claimed victory today as the Indonesian Government delivered by long awaited amphibious assault on the rebel Central Sumatran coastal stronghold of Padang.

Djakarta reports said a combined fleet of 30 transports and warships arrived off Padang yesterday, and engaged in a long duel with rebel shore batteries. At 0640 Sumatran time today, the Djakarta reports said paratroops landed near Padang airport, and infantry, spearheaded by marine commandos,

poured ashore from landing craft at Pantan Maura Exam, half a mile north of Padang. Djakarta radio said the paratroops advanced from their dropping zone, and captured Padang airport at 0900.

Opposition on hills between the dropping zone and the airport had been overcome by Indonesian Air Force fighters, the radio said. The Djakarta reports said the invading troops had successfully established beach heads. Premier Djanda said they had encountered some "insignificant resistance".

Armoured columns were believed to be thrusting towards the sea after two weeks' idleness on the eastern and northern frontiers of West Sumatra, the Djakarta reports said.

The Rebel Government, which has now been in existence two months and two days, claimed the landing had been repelled on the beaches, and that anti-aircraft fire had forestalled the government paratroop drop. The Padang Radio said: "The announcement by the Central Government that its marine commandos have landed, is false."

The Rebel radio said, "The news is meant only to weaken the confidence of the people in the revolutionary government, and to influence foreign governments."

An earlier announcement said: "Our armed forces have stood up to the attacks of the Central Government."

"We are not going to allow Soekarno to bring Central Sumatra under his absolute control, and crush the Sumatrans desire for freedom."—Reuter.

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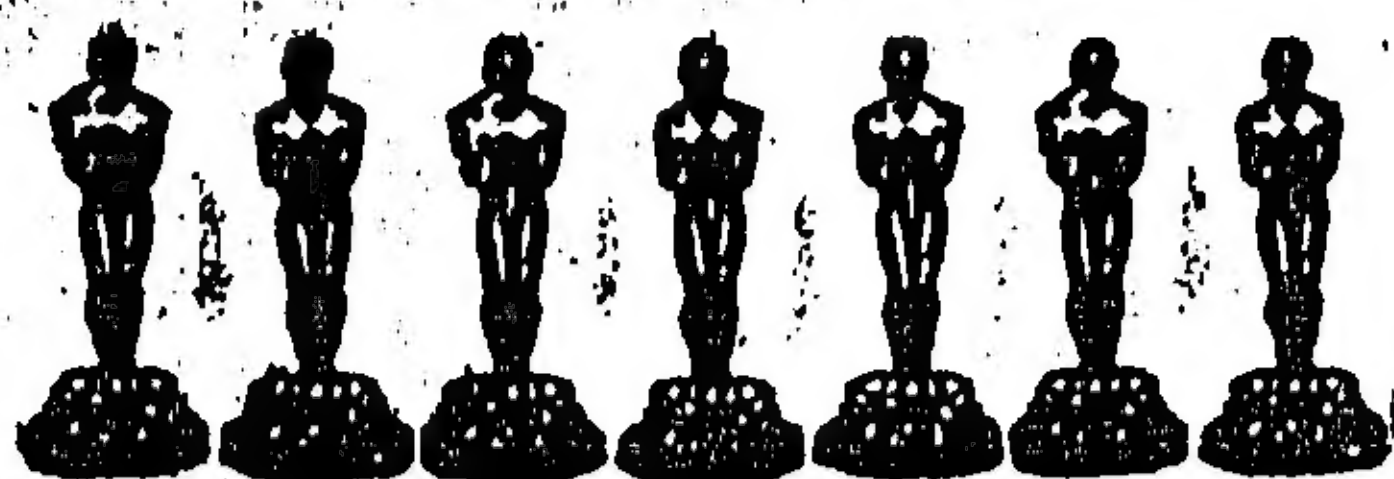
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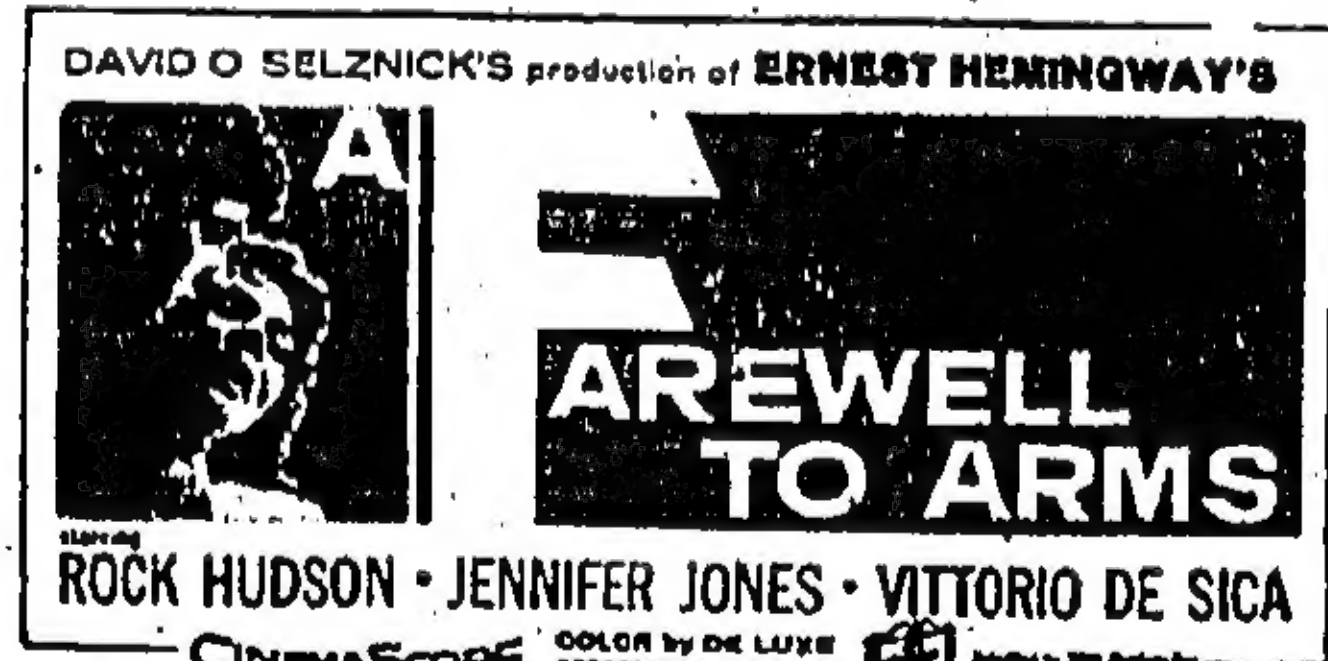


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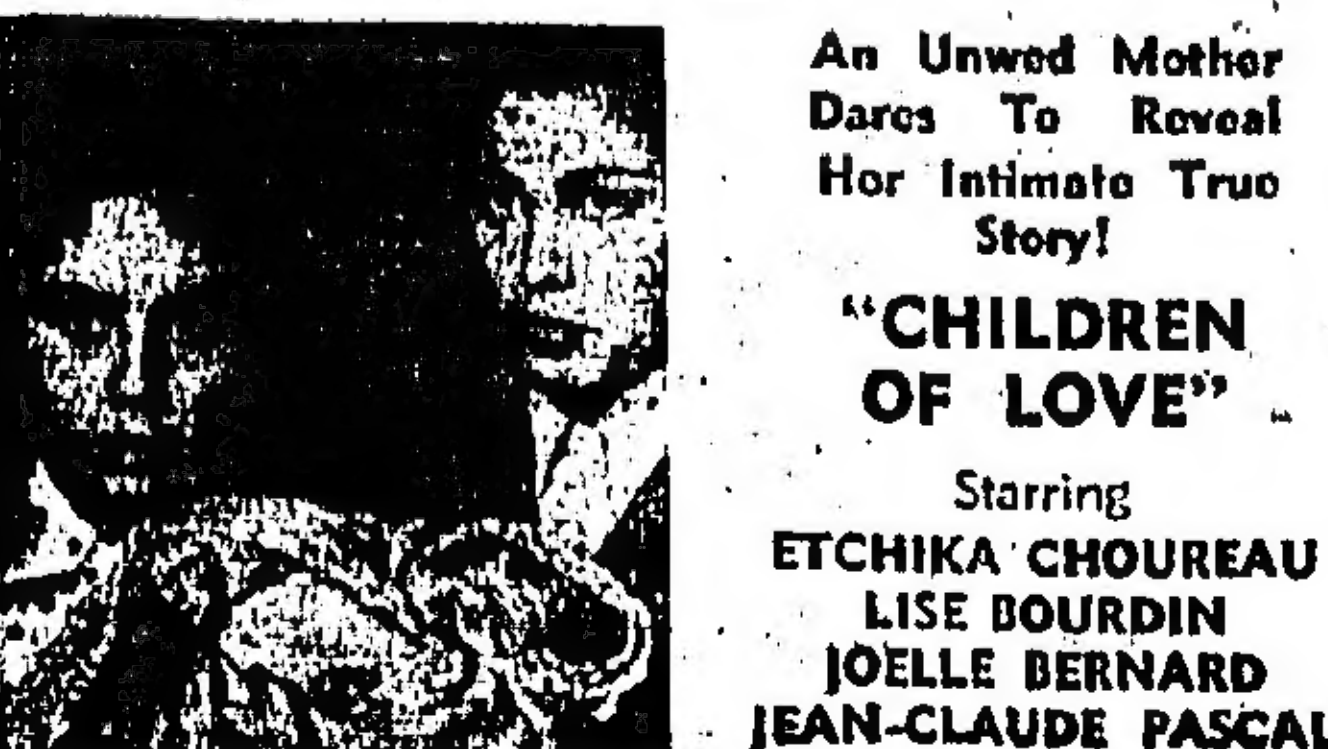
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"Energetic Protest"

Guatemala City, Apr. 17. Guatemala, whose President was yesterday turned back after crossing the border into the neighbouring British Colony of British Honduras, will lodge an "energetic protest" with Britain over the incident, it was learned today. Guatemala claims sovereignty over British Honduras. Yesterday President Ydigoras Fuentes crossed the border with a party of 22, arriving at the police station at Benque Viejo, one mile from the border.

Chennault, Hit By Cancer,

Has Series Of Check-Ups

Monroe, Apr. 17. Maj.-Gen. Claire L. Chennault and his wife, were to arrive here today from New Orleans where the former head of the famed Flying Tigers underwent a check-up.

Chennault arrived at the Ochsner Foundation Hospital on Monday from Washington where he had been given radiological treatment for lung cancer at Walter Reed Hospital. Ochsner authorities said the General's condition was described as "good."

The Chennaults have a home here. His young daughters are enrolled in an elementary school in Monroe.

Before going to the Far East in the 1930's Chennault was a country school teacher in Louisiana.

Since the end of World War II he has operated the Civil Air Transport service, a commercial airline with headquarters in Taipei, Formosa.—United Press.

Horrors Of The Ghetto Remembered In Warsaw

Survivors Mark 15th Anniversary

Warsaw, Apr. 17.

Survivors of what was once the largest Jewish community in the world meet here on Saturday to mark the 15th anniversary of the Ghetto uprising.

The little group which will hold the ceremonies will represent the handful of persons left alive of the 3,500,000 Jews who lived in Poland before the Nazi onslaught.

They will pay their respects to the 3,000,000 Polish Jews who died in Nazi murder camps, tortured and starved, gassed, shot or beaten to death.

They will add a salute to another 3,000,000 Jews from other countries, occupied by the Germans, who died with their Polish comrades.

But the ceremonies themselves will be for the 30,000 Jews who fought to the death in the desperate battle of the Ghetto that raged through the spring and early summer of 1943.

The Ghetto had existed before the war as a neighbourhood of some 300,000 Jews, but the Nazis brought in another 200,000, cut the size of the area, then waited it in for "sanitary reasons". Families lived ten to a room and existed by selling the few

possessions the conquerors left them.

In June 1942, the systematic extermination of the Jews began.

Some were simply rounded up and taken to death camps. Others were tricked into going by being told they would be exchanged for prisoners of war or would be given work.

In Treblinka alone, almost 300,000 Jews from Warsaw were gassed, and the stench of burning bodies filled the countryside around Auschwitz.

While the slaughter went on through the summer and autumn, Jews, with courage born of despair, prepared to fight back. The anti-Fascist bloc was formed and set up the Jewish Fighting Organisation (ZOB).

The first fighting came in January 1943, when the Waffen SS entered the Ghetto to round up more victims. The ZOB counter-attacked and after three days of savage fighting drove the Germans back through the walls.

It was the Jews' first real last victory.

Aside from sporadic forays by the Nazis, the Ghetto was quiet until April 19. Then German units of the Wehrmacht and Waffen SS, backed by security police and Ukrainian and Latvian troops, attacked with tanks, artillery and Stuka dive bombers.

The Jews raised the red and white flag of Poland and the blue and white colours of Israel, and fought back desperately.

Equipped with small arms from the London-directed Home Army and grenades and live bombs from their own workshops, they fought from the

According to a statement issued by the Governor of British Honduras, Sir Colin Thomson, the President told the sergeant in charge of the station that he wished to visit Cayo, about nine miles inside the border, and Benque Viejo.

The sergeant telephoned the Governor for instructions, and was told to inform the President that the Governor "had no foreknowledge of any such visit...and he regretted that permission for his entry into this country could not be given," the statement added.

The President and his party thereupon crossed back into Guatemala at the border town of Fallabon.

Reports here of the incident alleged that the police sergeant tried to snitch a list of the 22 persons accompanying the President from a colonel of the Guatemalan Army. Guatemala has in recent years pressed claims to sovereignty over British Honduras. In February this year President Fuentes said the claims would be pressed through diplomatic channels.—Reuter.

Reds Gaoled

Amman, Apr. 17.

A Jordanian military court in Jerusalem yesterday sentenced four men to 15 years' hard labour each for Communist Party activities.

At the same time King Hussein pardoned 115 convicts serving sentences varying from six months to five years. A fortnight ago 204 persons were pardoned.—United Press.

Three Killed

Amman, Apr. 17.

Jordan newspapers reported today from Aleppo that three persons were killed recently in a clash between Syrian civilians and Egyptian military police. Twenty others were injured, the newspapers reported.—United Press.

Dr Adenauer

London, Apr. 17.

Dr Konrad Adenauer, 82-year-old West German Chancellor, was chief guest at a dinner given in his honour here tonight by Mr Harold Macmillan, the British Prime Minister.—Reuter.

Bank Workers

Paris, Apr. 17.

Trade unions today called on France's 100,000 bank workers to sing nationwide demonstrations on April 23 in support of pay claims.—Reuter.

Fate Of Missing Planes

CLUE TO FOUR-YEAR-OLD HAWAII MYSTERY?

Honolulu, Apr. 17. Bits of wreckage may lead Navy and civilian experts to a clue to the fate of a chartered plane which disappeared four years ago, with two prominent Midwest farmers aboard.

Bits of aluminium from the plane washed down the side of 5,000-foot Fua Fua Mountain on Maui Island several days ago.

An Army Rescue Team then spotted the wreckage, but the men could not reach it because it was on the face of a cliff 3,000 feet up the side of the mountain.

The experts were analysing the bits of wreckage that washed down in an attempt to learn if it could be from any one of the three airplanes that could have crashed in the area since 1948.

One possibility was that the wreckage was that of a Cockett Airlines Beechcraft in which five men disappeared in April, 1954.

Other possibilities were that the wreckage was the remains of a Navy plane missing since 1946, or that of a small private plane missing since last year on an inter-island flight.—United Press.

Competition

Glasgow, Apr. 17.

Mr Edmund Watts, a British shipowner, said today it was time that the Clyde shipyards here "woke up to the fact they are facing very strong foreign competition."

He added: "We get just as good work abroad, if not better than here. The time taken is often only half as long as in Britain."

The only reason British shipbuilders were holding their own so well was "because of the integrity of managements and directors."—China Mail Special.

Religious News

New York, Apr. 17.

The United Press, the Detroit Free Press, and the Medford, Oregon, Mail Tribune were cited tonight by the National Religious Publicity Council for distinguished coverage of religious news during 1957.—United Press.

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CABLE BRIEFS

New York, Apr. 17. Dr. Leo Szilard, University of Chicago nuclear physicist, said today he considers the present international situation "serious enough to be tempted to joke about it."

"This is what I would say," Szilard said in a filmed interview on television programme: "The atomic bomb might destroy the earth, but this is nothing to get excited about. After all, the earth is not one of the major planets."

"But we live on it," pre-terested a reporter.

"Not very well," said Szilard. —United Press.

Albany, N.Y., Apr. 17. The State Legislature and Gov. Averell Harriman have come to the aid of an absolute-minded professor.

Under a special bill signed yesterday, Dr. John Hastings, 82, noted mathematician and retired professor of City College, New York, will be permitted to cash 25 pay cheques, totalling nearly US\$5,000, he forgot to turn in for money between 1936 and 1942.

A State law outlaws city cheques after six years, requiring the special bill. —United Press.

Shenandoah, Apr. 17. Mrs. Opal Ratliff begged an unknown customer of the Henry Field's Nursery Company today not to be too mad, and just send that wrong package back, fast.

Mrs. Ratliff, an order packer, wrapped up her lunch and her wallet instead of a package of seeds. —United Press.

Oceanside, Apr. 17. Mrs. Gertrude Hedgecock asked police to look out for chicken thieves. They stole five chickens, Mrs. Hedgecock said, from her deep freeze. —United Press.

Dayton, Apr. 17. Firemen slid down the pole right into the fire yesterday.

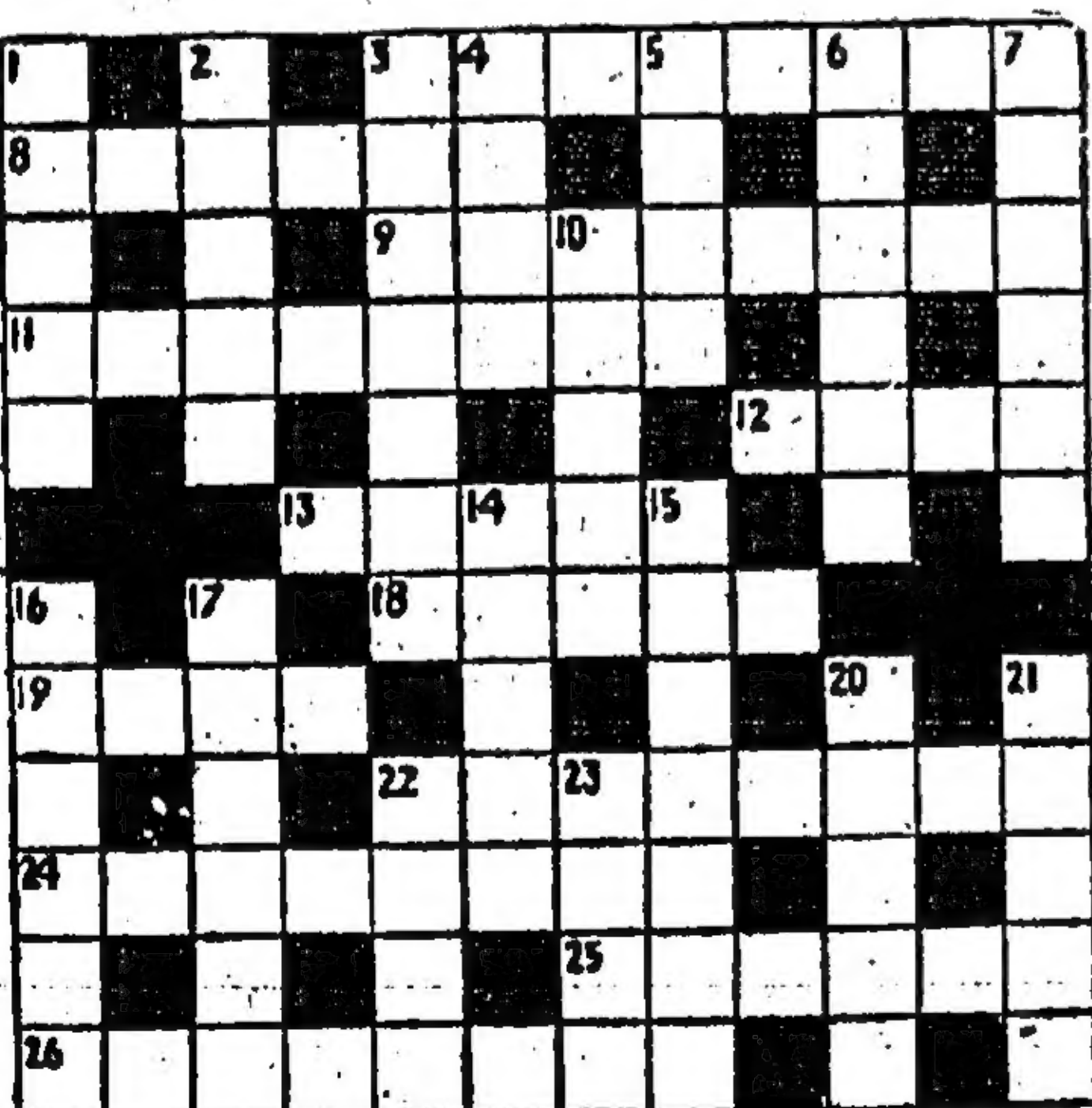
Patrol had seeped into the fire house basement from a service station tank next door and caught fire. —United Press.

Meridian, Apr. 17. A German police dog lost all his points for behaviour at a dog show.

He bit judge Louis Murr in the face. —United Press.

Washington, Apr. 17. The Washington Gas Light Company recently started sending out its monthly bill on punched cards which look like government cheques. Yesterday, at a supermarket, a customer cashed one. —United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Of various kinds (8).
 - Bring back to mind (6).
 - Solitary (8).
 - Variety buildings (8).
 - Not far off the solution? (4).
 - Turnings, shall we say? (6).
 - Senior diplomat (6).
 - Old city on wheels (4).
 - Sausages, except the first half (8).
 - It strains (8).
 - It's always liable to break (8).
 - Famous games (8).
- DOWN**
- Good chap; don't drop him! (5).
 - Get to the top (5).
 - Declared (7).
 - Knock for six? (4).
 - Singles (4).
 - Long Tom (6).
 - Certainly not wide-awake ideas (6).
 - Necessitous (5).
 - Some bodolyn? (5).
 - Cut off (7).
 - Plaster work (6).
 - Du Maurier hat (6).
 - Famous painter (6).
 - A team makes a remark (5).
 - Photo of a game? (4).
 - Miss Lynn? (4).

THURSDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3 Walk-over, 7 Faith (Hovers), 8 Aviation, 10 Arabia, 15 Duches, 16 RUMBLE, 17 Seccider, 18 P-Annex, 20 Slug, 21 Lepatos, 22 Non est, 27 Listener, 28 Eddie, 29 Sadeded, Down: 1 Broad, 2 Liao, 3 Whale, 4 Yards, 5 Velled, 6 Runner, 9 Vesari, 11 Rural, 12 Dhand, 14 Brown, 15 Median, 16 Merve, 18 Pauline, 19 Nurse, 23 Gored, 24 Tynd, 25 Sheep, 26 Dams.

ASSURANCE ON US BOMBERS WITH H-BOMBS

Atomic Attack By Mistake?

THEY MADE HISTORY



THE Royal Engineers played an important role in the history of British Columbia, and were responsible for laying out many of the Canadian province's cities and towns of today. Now they are invited to attend British Columbia's centenary celebrations. A corporal is seen putting the finishing touches to the period uniforms that the R.E. detachment will wear for the occasion. —Army News Service.

CHERYL—THE WORLD'S MOST SPOILED GIRL: LEX BARKER

Lana's Ex-Husband's Comment On Hollywood Scandal

Rome, Apr. 17. The Italian weekly magazine Epoca today quoted Lex Barker, Lana Turner's fourth husband, as saying in an interview that Lana's daughter Cheryl "has always been a real disaster". The magazine said he blamed Cheryl for the breakup of his marriage.

But Lana, the magazine quoted, him as saying, was a "damned wonderful mother". Of Cheryl, he said, "she was the world's most spoiled girl."

It was Barker's first published comment since Cheryl's death. He said she was a "very strange, two-faced, very strange" girl. Barker said he would not criticize Miss Turner.

"If there is anything I can do, it's to defend her against the accusations that have been made. You know, people always enjoy attacking an idol, to find out if it has a base of clay, that it is a human being with problems and secrets," he said.

But he added, "My divorce depended on Cheryl. To her mother, I denied that it was true. But Lana always had one great fault—to believe her daughter first, though knowing that she was a girl full of complexities and accustomed to lie."

"I tried to show that the story was made out of whole cloth, but Lana didn't want to believe me. She wanted to separate and the next morning I left the house, accepting her decision."

"For a few weeks, naturally, I tried a reconciliation but without success. In one of the last telephone calls I said: 'Watch out for Cheryl, that girl will end up involved in great trouble.' Time has proved me right—it's too soon." —United Press.

The 55-year-old woman said she had begun work cleaning the Consulate building and had just placed the trash cans in front of the building.

She said she found an object lying at the bottom of the stairway leading up to the entrance of the building.

She picked up the object and her pail, and started up the stairs.

"When I picked up the object, it went like a match lighting," she said. Just as she was about to open the door, the grenade exploded, blowing off her left hand. —France-Press.

A High Mark

El Centro, Apr. 17. The Navy disclosed today that a Grumman F-11F Super Tiger jet fighter has set a new world's altitude record for conventional aircraft at 70,000 feet. —United Press.

An 'Infallible' System Has Been Found

Canberra, Apr. 17. Mr. R. G. Casey, Australian Minister for External Affairs, said today the United States system of carrying nuclear bombs in aircraft as a precaution against Soviet attack had been thoroughly tested and could not be triggered off in error or through some mishap.

He also said it was clear to him that there was an infallible system in existence under which aircraft carrying nuclear bombs could not proceed beyond a certain point without specific and clearcut radio orders to do so.

Mr. Casey, in a written statement, was elaborating on a statement he made in the House of Representatives yesterday in answer to a question by Dr. H. V. Evatt, leader of the Labour (Opposition) Party.

The Minister had said then in the House that he was "distressed and dismayed" at the publication of a report that American bombers carrying nuclear bombs had often been on the way to the Soviet Union as a result of false alarms.

The Opposition leader had based his question on an American news agency report which was widely published recently throughout Australia.

In his statement today, Mr. Casey said he had been reluctant yesterday to go into detail on such a complex subject, particularly as he had seen more than one version of the article.

Some extracts from the article might have given a somewhat misleading impression, Mr. Casey said.

However, he had now read the full text as sent from the United States, and this confirmed essentially to the facts as conveyed to the Australian Government by the United States Government.

These facts, he said, had made clear the infallibility of the system. —Reuter.

Dockers Don't Like To Be Searched Lightning Strike In London

London, Apr. 17. Three hundred London dockers pulled a lightning strike today in protest against a snap search of men working on the Japanese freighter London Maru.

Dockers on the vessel walked off in protest when Port of London authority detectives searched men who had been working in the hold. Gangs from four other ships supported the walkout.

The men later agreed to resume normal work tomorrow while negotiations are held with police.

"It was the first snap search since the war and they are determined there will not be a repetition," a ship steward said. "It is a different matter being searched at the dock gate. Everyone expects that." —Reuter.

Ban Atomic Arms!

DEMONSTRATORS PICKET GERMAN EMBASSY

London, Apr. 17. The demonstrators began a 24-hour vigil outside the German Embassy here at noon today to protest against the arming of West German forces with nuclear weapons.

Banners in German and English carried by the demonstrators on posters read: "No American, Russian, English or German Nuclear Weapons" and "No Nuclear Weapons For Eisenhower, Eisenhower, Macmillan, Adenauer."

The demonstration lines to coincide with the visit of Dr. Konrad Adenauer, the West German Chancellor, to London, was organised by a group calling themselves the "Committee for Nuclear Disarmament."

They helped organise a ban-the-H-bomb march from London to Britain's nuclear research centre at Aldermaston, Berkshire, and back.

A spokesman for today's demonstrators said the protest was not anti-German, but "in line with the protests being made by the German people themselves."

"The point is that NATO is shortly giving nuclear-armed warheads to the Germans and we want to express any extension of the ownership of nuclear weapons," he also said.

"The demonstrators will remain outside the embassy throughout the night. They are expecting to stay here until Sunday."

Royal Navy Ship Probes North Sea Fishing Incident

Lowestoft, Apr. 17. The Royal Navy fishery protection ship, Bolton, arrived in the North Sea fishing grounds today to investigate reported incidents between British and Russian trawlers.

About 400 drifters are in the area, according to a radio report from one of 12 British boats there.

The Bolton signalled the Admiralty in London that she had spoken to a number of Russian, German and French trawlers but she had not contacted any British craft.

PRECAUTION

She was ordered to the fishing grounds—about 250 miles east of Aberdeen, Scotland—as a precautionary measure. But fishing circles in Lowestoft, East England, said trouble had arisen because Russian drifters had been over-shooting the nets of British fishermen and damaging them. Similar incidents occurred last year.

The skipper of a Lowestoft drifter, the Harold Cartwright, had alleged by radio that the Russians interfered with the operations of the Lowestoft fishing fleet.

INTERFERENCE

A spokesman for the fleet's owners, Small and Company, said one of their boats had landed at Aberdeen with some damaged nets. "But he has not reported that any of them were due to interference by Russian or any other boats," the spokesman said.

Asked to confirm that there were 400 craft in the area, he said: "It is probably true. There is nothing unusual in that. It is still anyone's right to fish where they wish."

"We have no wish to magnify this into an international incident," —Reuter.

JUNGLE REDS CHANGE FLAG

Penang, Apr. 17. The Malayan Communist Party had changed its flag, a police expert, Mr. Teoh Eng Seng, said today.

Instead of three stars, it now bore only one he said.

"The other two stars have been dropped to show that the three major races in the country (Malay, Chinese and Indian) are now united," —Reuter.

High-Speed Test

London, Apr. 17. A new, high-speed test machine capable of testing tyres at speeds of up to 500 m.p.h. is being built by the Dunlop Company in Britain and will be ready later this year, Mr. G. E. Beharrell, Dunlop chairman, said here today. —China Mail Special.

Returns Home

Tokyo, Apr. 17. A soldier from a Nationalist unit that crossed into Burma when the Communists overran Yunnan province, has returned to China and surrendered to authorities, the New China News Agency reported today.

It said he will "soon leave for home for a reunion with his family" in Lantian County, Southwestern Yunnan Province. —United Press.

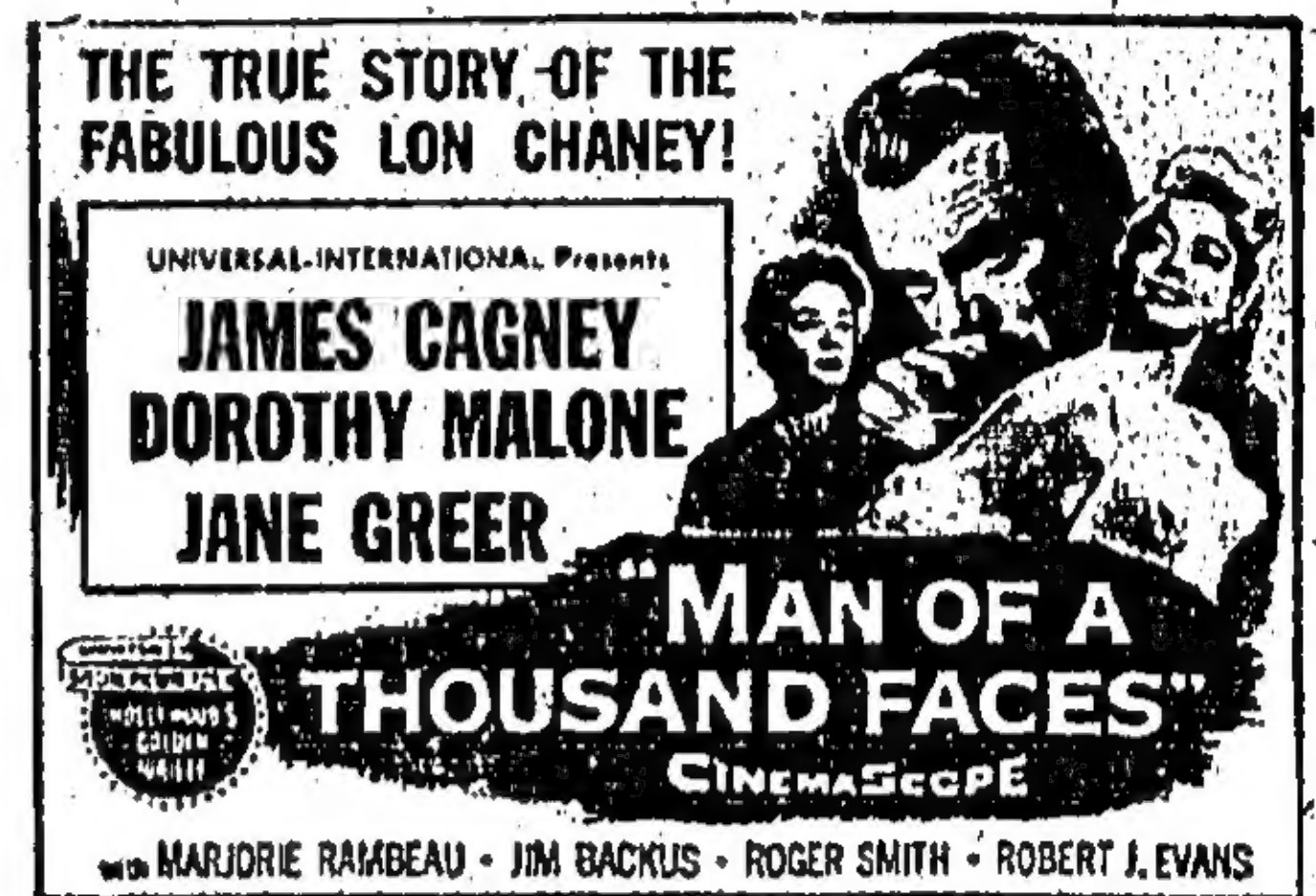
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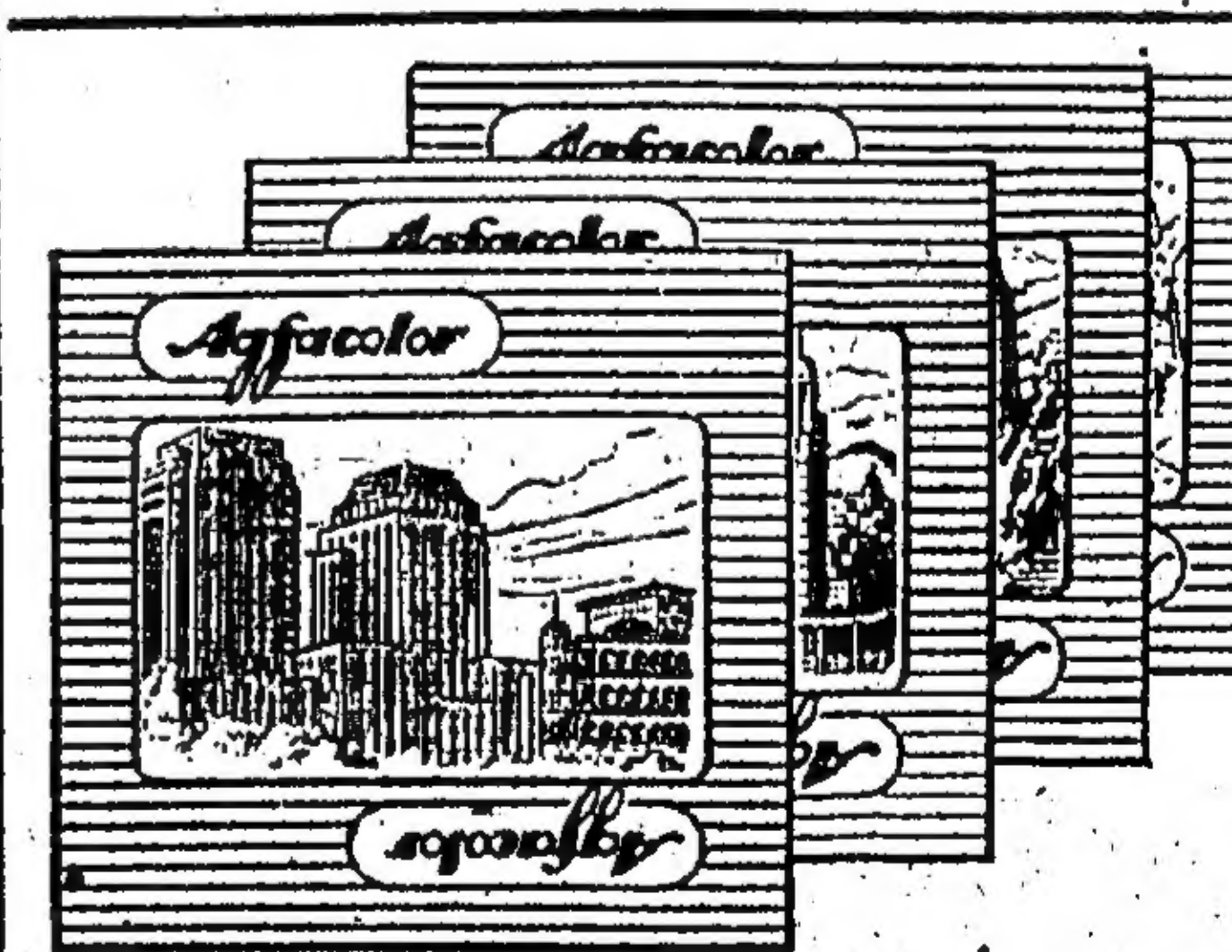
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HOW MACMILLAN MUST BE SAYING THAT TODAY

A POLITICAL FAMILY CASEBOOK
BY DOUGLAS CLARK

MR HAROLD MACMILLAN needs to be protected from his relatives. For Prime Ministers this has always been an occupational risk. Public life has not changed much since Hilaire Belloc wrote *A Change in the Cabinet* nearly 60 years ago.

In that novel he described a political supper party in St James's as no "mere family party." Our public life is a larger thing than that! Of the five members of the two front benches who were not connected by marriage, two were present.

BURDEN

But the relatives of Mr Macmillan who have found a resting place in the House of Commons pile a particularly heavy burden on him. And at this moment he must be finding it hard to bear the load.

What does he think this week of Mr James Stuart?

Mr Macmillan and Mr Stuart are brothers-in-law. Each is married to a daughter of the ninth Duke of Devonshire.

Mr Stuart at 61 is three years younger than the Prime Minister. But he has long since passed his period of political usefulness.

It would seem that Mr Macmillan himself subscribes to that view since one of the very first things he did on becoming Premier 14 months ago was to drop Mr Stuart from the post of Secretary of State for Scotland.

Whatever pain it might cause to the Cavendishes, Mr Stuart was out in 72 hours.

The incubus, however, remains. Neither Mr Macmillan nor Scotland is yet safe from Mr Stuart.

For Mr Stuart is still chairman of the Tory Party's Scottish organisation which—after the disastrous poll at Kelvingrove—demonstrably needs a complete overhaul, starting from the top.

As Scottish party manager-in-chief Mr Stuart is as strangely inert as Lord Hailsham, running the Tory machine in England and Wales, is curiously boisterous.

But the embarrassing criticism which is mounting against his brother-in-law is not Mr Macmillan's only family problem.

HIS SON

What is he to make this week of his son, Mr Maurice Macmillan?

On Friday, Mr Maurice Macmillan, who is MP for Halifax, goes off to Bournemouth to sit on a brain's trust platform with Mr Nigel Nicolson. It might be thought that, if only out of consideration for the feelings of his father, Mr Macmillan would take care not to call attention to himself in this way: since Mr Nicolson was one of his father's most bitter critics when, as a loyal member of the last Cabinet, Mr Harold Macmillan was supporting Sir Anthony Eden over Suez.

But though, as publishers, Maurice and Nigel compete in business it seems that in politics they unite.

For Mr Nicolson, who was disowned by his local party in East Bournemouth 18 months ago for his conduct in the Suez crisis, has himself declared that the reason Mr Maurice Macmillan is appearing on his platform is to demonstrate his sympathy with him.

The sympathy of most people will lie elsewhere with the Prime Minister. It is wretched luck on him; first the brother-in-law upsets the Tories in Scotland, and now the son hurries off to upset the Tories in England.

But perhaps the Tories can draw some comfort from the fact that the difficulties and differences of another political family, the Foots,

"Save me from my relatives!"

Brother John Foot, 48, almost secured the Liberal nomination at Torrington last month. Why, instead, will Mr Mark Bonham Carter be carrying the party banner at the by-election?

Brother John's friends declare the cause bluntly. At the last moment the Torrington Liberal association took fright. Was he dependable? Suddenly they had remembered the magnetic allure of brother Michael, 44.

CHARM

It is true, of course, that Brother Michael has already pulled Brother Dingle, 52, into the Socialist party; and it would

be hard to over-estimate either the force or the charm of his personality.

All the same, it is worth remembering that his dominance over his elder brethren is by no means absolute.

Even Dingle is putting up a battle. On the H-bomb issue he and Michael are in total disagreement.

Liberal Foot, Right-wing Socialist Foot, Left-wing Socialist Foot. It is an extraordinary state of disarray. Each must sigh to himself: "Save me from my relatives."

What fun Hilaire Belloc would have had with them. —(London Express Service)

OCCASIONALLY — nearly always because of an unhappy home — domestic cats turn wild. And Nelson the Mouser's first girl friend happened to be such a one. We don't know where he found her, but she belongs to none of our neighbours and may have been living rough for most of her short life.

We first saw the "girl friend" late one night, a snarling, spitting little black shadow slinking away from the verandah light. Next we saw her streaking up the orchard with a pike's head—four times larger than her own—gripped firmly in her teeth.

Life for her was hard, but as it was obvious that she and Nelson were fond of one another, and as the snowy winter was brutally hard on a small black carnivore, we made several unsuccessful attempts to gain her confidence.

IO THE ORPHAN TAMES A 'TIGER'

UP COUNTRY by THURLOW CRAIG

But she made it plain that she loathed and feared the human race.

A pitiful sight

One night when I heard them making music up the mountain above the orchard I went along with a piece of raw liver.

Nelson immediately set to, but his little friend stood far off and cursed me until I went away. Ever then she would not touch the liver but left it—tainted by hated human hands—to Nelson.

She might have stayed that way—if it had not been for the lamb.

Remember I? She is the orphan lamb I rescued during a storm. To then was a pitiful sight. She had an ugly wound in one leg and little to keep her going save her trust in us and

wild, one delighted in each other's company. Indeed they seemed to be engaged in a friendly tussle, the cat rubbing hard against the lamb, while the lamb was playfully butting the cat.

Quietly but quickly we put out a feed of hay and a plate of cat-food. To immediately attacked the hay and was soon joined by her new friend.

Black Lady.

Afterwards, when our animals came into bed, Black Lady—as we now call her—vanished into the night. But it was a triumph, for the first time she had accepted our food.

The next night, to lure Black Lady into the hall, and there they had a meal together. Now, as I write, the two of them are fast asleep in the wooden box in front of the kitchen fire. Black Lady glows us to handle her and is now a permanent member of the household.

YOU CAN TELL A STAR BY THE COMPANY HE KEEPS...



LEFT: Perkins in dancing mood does the "Crawl" with Silvana Mangano in "The Sea Wall." ABOVE: Now with Sophia Loren Perkins in a conflict of wills from "Desire Under the Elms." Significant that Perkins is used to team the big Italian stars, now enjoying a new vogue on both sides of the Atlantic in the more sultry films. The kind of star company Perkins keeps shows just how much he is in demand in the new Italian-American alliance.

Anthony Perkins

BROODY YOUNGSTER
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AS TOMORROW'S
BIGGEST STAR...

ANTHONY PERKINS is a gawky, short-sighted young man who has never had an acting lesson in his life. Yet a £7,000,000 gamble to make him a film star has paid off.

Two years ago, Perkins was the sort of restless, rootless hitch-hiker that Americans call a "hipster." Now, £3,000,000 and six films later, he is looked on as a big star today—and probably the biggest star of tomorrow.

At 25 he still looks sourly on success. "I used to dream of the things that men call success," he says, "the things that have come to me now."

"But somehow I don't have the feeling of triumph and satisfaction that I thought would come with them. I still just feel damned lonely."

Achievement

YET he persists in choosing success as hard as his long, loping legs and ambitions will take him. "I have got to go the Italian-style screen beauties, on trying," he says, "because I have a feeling that happiness is something that only comes with achievement. And being an actor is the only way I can achieve anything."

That conflict in his character, which shows in his screen performances, is the strongest O'Neill classic. It is a story of reason for his stardom. His lust and vengeance on a small, youthful cynicism, his urge to American farm of the last be different, are something that century.



It has Sophia Loren, playing her first heavily dramatic role as a sensual woman seeking security. It has Burt Reynolds, the ballad singer, who has developed into a striking dramatic actor.

And it has Perkins as a young man fighting against the breakdown of his life, through the scheming of a woman.

Enigma

HE lived up to their hopes on the screen with taut acting talent in films like "Fear Strikes Out" and "The Tin Star." But his private life behaviour prompted one actress to call him "a self-made enigma." He has few friends, and apparently wants fewer. "Most people," he says, "want to know

John Lambert

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TOMORROW'S CHANCES AT THE VALLEY

Sassoon Challenge Cup The Main Event

By "RAPIER"

The Hongkong Jockey Club's Twelfth Race Meeting, to be held over two consecutive Saturday afternoons, starts tomorrow. Each day's programme will consist of ten events. The first saddling bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will commence promptly at 2 p.m.

The most important event tomorrow is the Sassoon Challenge Cup, while on Saturday, April 26, the St George's Plate will form the main attraction.

Here are my estimates of the chances:

FIRST RACE

Northampton Handicap: From 2 Miles Post.

Orange Beauty, Edwin Mok up, looks a chance to win this race confined to novice riders. It was on the first day of the Easter Race Meeting that Orange Beauty, carrying 140 lbs., sprang a surprise to beat So Big in the Gloucester Handicap over the Champion distance for Class 8 ponies.

There is, of course, just a possibility that Attractive Power (Lai Chun-fai) may cause an upset, provided that it does not suffer from a bad start.

The distance also favours So Big (Wm. P. K. Ling) and Free Kick (M. A. C. Rozu).

SECOND RACE

Warwick Stakes: From 1½ Miles Post.

This sprint race is for 1958 ponies. Ponies which have won \$1,750 or more in stakes are barred. Weight 147 lbs.

Sea Tigris (Alex Lam) returned a very impressive gallop one recent early morning and appears to be well tuned up for this event. I think it has a very good chance of winning here.

The big danger is Bleat Friday (K. Kwok), which is very fit at the moment. It is quite capable of giving Sea Tigris a good fight for first place.

Sure Goal (Liang Pao-wei) and Peeping Shot (Robert Tsai) may have a say with regard to the other positions, but I don't think they can win.

THIRD RACE

Stafford Stakes: From 2 Miles Post.

This is another race for 1958 ponies. Winners of less than \$1,750 in stakes are barred. Weight: Winners of \$1,750 in stakes, 137 lbs.; Winners of more than \$1,750 but less than \$4,000, 140 lbs.; Winners of \$4,000 but not more than \$5,000, 145 lbs.; Winners of \$5,000 or more, 150 lbs. Winners, 5 lbs. penalty.

I think this race is between Genghis Khan (Albert Lam) and Your Wish (P. Plumby). They have shown gradual improvement in morning workouts and can last the distance.

I like the chances of Carrie (Alan Chan) too. This pony is in fine fettle and ready to make amends for his failure in his last attempt.

FOURTH RACE

Herford Handicap: From 1½ Miles Post.

In this race for Class 8 ponies over this distance, May Blossom (M. Samurq) is the obvious choice for first position. I think Ma Cherie (H. K. Chuang) is the only other pony among the entries to give it a challenge.

For those who are looking for an outsider, I suggest Tell-me-more (Robert Tsai). Rebel II (C. Y. Wong) should not be overlooked.

FIFTH RACE

Sassoon Challenge Cup: One Mile.

This is the main event of the afternoon and is a handicap race for ponies of any season. It seems to me that Night People (K. Kwok) should find little difficulty in beating Red Light (Alan Chan) and As You Wish (A. Ostroff) in this mile contest.

Bonita (H. M. Botelho) is the rank outsider in this event.

SIXTH RACE

Cumberland Handicap (First Section): Six Furlongs.

Gallant Knight has been well tuned up for this sprint race and should provide C. L. Liu an opportunity to score. Another Victory (Robert Tsai) ran impressively the last time out, and is very fit, posing as a potential threat here.

A good outsider is Diamond Lil (Andrew Chan) while King Rider (P. H. Yau) and Supermaster (K. Kwok) stand an outside chance of winning.

SEVENTH RACE

Willis Stakes: From 2 Miles Post.

This race will be contested by 1958 ponies. Winners of \$1,750 or more in stakes are barred. Weight 147 lbs.

Among the ponies that are running in this race, Salome (H. K. Chuang), which has improved during morning gallops, looks like having the best chance of winning.

Grace (Alan Chan) may prove dangerous with Monna Lisa (W. K. Tsui) also having a say in the matter.

For those who are looking for an outsider, Philippe's Pride (C. L. Gregory) is the one to follow.

EIGHTH RACE

Cumberland Handicap (Second Section): Six Furlongs.

Spinning Wheel (Alan Chan) is due for a belated win and has been training well. It was never better than right now.

Orange King (K. Kwok) and Sunstreak (Lara King-tai) are in fine form also and should figure prominently at the finish.

NINTH RACE

Shropshire Stakes: From 1½ Miles Post.

This sprint race is confined to 1958 ponies. Winners of less than \$1,750 in stakes are barred. Weight: Winners of \$1,750 in stakes, 137 lbs.; Winners of more than \$1,750 but less than \$4,000, 140 lbs.; Winners of \$4,000 but not more than \$5,000, 145 lbs.; Winners of \$5,000 or more, 150 lbs. Winners, 5 lbs. penalty.

Ariel (K. Kwok) has been sharpened up for this race and should win unless something out of the ordinary happens.

Superconic (H. Plumby) should have no difficulty in taking second place.

For the third position Toy Speed (E. S. Wong) and Star of Stars (Alex Lam) should fight out the issue.

TENTH RACE

Durham Handicap: 1½ Miles.

This is the final race of the first day and is confined to Class 7 ponies.

Tenriane (H. K. Hing) should make amends for his defeat at the last meeting in this race, while Tonyber (Alan Chan) will make Tamerlane go all out to earn the lion's share of the prize money.

Perfectionist (P. H. Yau) is very fit and ought to have some say at the finish.

Gay Sire (K. Kwok) will certainly not be too far behind the leaders at the finish as the prize is in good form at the moment.

Cut this out and take it to the races tomorrow for your guidance

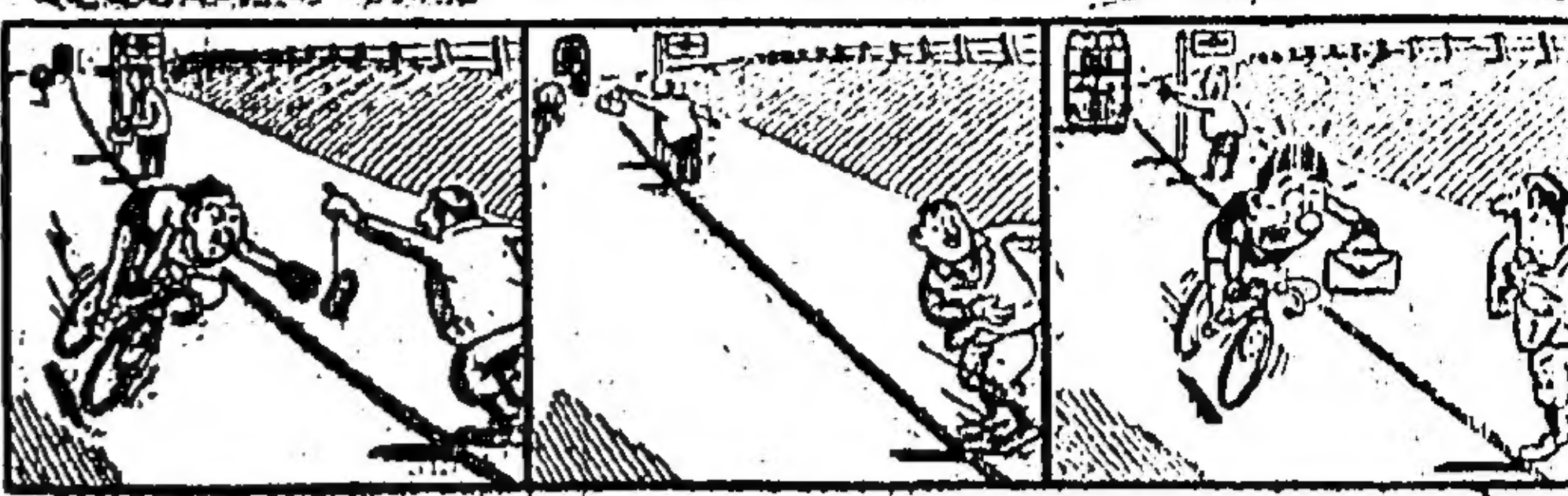
Probable Starters, Weights & Riders

Probable starters, weights and riders for tomorrow's Happy Valley race meeting are given below. This list is based on the most up-to-date information available. As an additional guide to form, the placings of the ponies in their last three starts will be found on the left hand side of their names.

2.00 p.m. Race 1 NORTHAMPTON HANDICAP, 1 Mile 17½ Yards, Novices, Class 8.	402 Diamond Lil (Lum) ... 147 lbs.
302 Not So Bad (Motewell) 150 lbs.	403 Straight Hunter (Leckoff) ... 150 lbs.
041 Orange Beauty (Sofronoff) ... 140 lbs.	404 Day Minister (Kranenoff) ... 140 lbs.
330 Attractive Power (Lai) 135 lbs.	405 National Delight (Chung) ... 147 lbs.
000 Every Day (Kranenoff) ... 147 lbs.	406 Noble Prince (Sofronoff) ... 147 lbs.
412 So Big (S. H. Wong) ... 140 lbs.	407 Philippe's Pride (Ng) ... 147 lbs.
100 Good Girl (Lum) ... 140 lbs.	408 Salome (A. S. Wong) ... 147 lbs.
003 Easy Money (Sofronoff) ... 140 lbs.	409 Yu-Hua-Tung (Sofronoff) ... 147 lbs.
004 Free Kick (Sofronoff) ... 140 lbs.	410 Marianne (A. S. Wong) ... 145 lbs.
2.30 p.m. Race 2 WARWICK STAKES, 1½ Miles 17½ Yards, 1958 Ponies.	411 New Delhi (Lum) ... 137 lbs.
40 Black Friday (Sofronoff) ... 147 lbs.	412 Sunstreak (Chew) ... 150 lbs.
000 Honey Boy (Sofronoff) ... 147 lbs.	413 Spinning Wheel (Kranenoff) ... 153 lbs.
000 Ophium (Lum) ... 147 lbs.	414 Great Triumphant (Sofronoff) ... 150 lbs.
000 Impregnable (Ng) ... 147 lbs.	415 Orange King (Sofronoff) ... 150 lbs.
000 Lady Pam (Leckoff) ... 147 lbs.	416 Marianne (A. S. Wong) ... 145 lbs.
000 Lal, Galah (Sofronoff) ... 147 lbs.	417 New Delhi (Lum) ... 137 lbs.
000 Lucky Year (Sofronoff) ... 147 lbs.	418 Sunstreak (Chew) ... 150 lbs.
000 Peeping Shot (S. H. Wong) ... 147 lbs.	419 Spinning Wheel (Kranenoff) ... 153 lbs.
000 Pathfinder (Sofronoff) ... 147 lbs.	420 Great Triumphant (Sofronoff) ... 150 lbs.
000 Polaris (Ng) ... 147 lbs.	421 Orange King (Sofronoff) ... 150 lbs.
000 Saratoga (A. S. Wong) ... 147 lbs.	422 Marianne (A. S. Wong) ... 145 lbs.
000 Sea Tigris (Sofronoff) ... 147 lbs.	423 New Delhi (Lum) ... 137 lbs.
000 Sure Goal (A. S. Wong) ... 147 lbs.	424 Sunstreak (Chew) ... 150 lbs.
000 Tabitha T. (Sofronoff) ... 147 lbs.	425 Spinning Wheel (Kranenoff) ... 153 lbs.
000 Wedding Bell (Chew) ... 147 lbs.	426 Great Triumphant (Sofronoff) ... 150 lbs.
2.40 p.m. Race 3 STAFFORD STAKES, 2 Miles 17½ Yards, 1958 Ponies.	427 Orange King (Sofronoff) ... 150 lbs.
041 Carrie (Kranenoff) ... 150 lbs.	428 Marianne (A. S. Wong) ... 145 lbs.
411 Genghis Khan (Poreboett) ... 150 lbs.	429 New Delhi (Lum) ... 137 lbs.
413 Maytime (Lum) ... 150 lbs.	430 Sunstreak (Chew) ... 150 lbs.
2.50 p.m. Race 4 HERFORD HANDICAP, 1½ Miles 17½ Yards, Class 8.	431 Spinning Wheel (Kranenoff) ... 153 lbs.
210 May Blossom (Nood) ... 153 lbs.	432 Great Triumphant (Sofronoff) ... 150 lbs.
010 Ma Cherie (Chung) ... 150 lbs.	433 Orange King (Sofronoff) ... 150 lbs.
010 Aladdin (Kranenoff) ... 150 lbs.	434 Marianne (A. S. Wong) ... 145 lbs.
000 Silver Dabula (Poreboett) ... 150 lbs.	435 New Delhi (Lum) ... 137 lbs.
402 Tell-me-more (A. S. Wong) ... 150 lbs.	436 Sunstreak (Chew) ... 150 lbs.
324 Advancement (Chew) ... 143 lbs.	437 Spinning Wheel (Kranenoff) ... 153 lbs.
402 Rebel II (S. H. Wong) ... 143 lbs.	438 Great Triumphant (Sofronoff) ... 150 lbs.
003 Emperor Bell (Sofronoff) ... 150 lbs.	439 Orange King (Sofronoff) ... 150 lbs.
2.55 p.m. Race 5 CUMBERLAND HANDICAP, 1 Mile, Open Race.	440 Marianne (A. S. Wong) ... 145 lbs.
211 Night People (Tokmokoff) ... 145 lbs.	441 New Delhi (Lum) ... 137 lbs.
322 Red Light (Lum) ... 145 lbs.	442 Sunstreak (Chew) ... 150 lbs.
442 Shiraz (Tokmokoff) ... 141 lbs.	443 Spinning Wheel (Kranenoff) ... 153 lbs.
443 Winesome (Sofronoff) ... 137 lbs.	444 Great Triumphant (Sofronoff) ... 150 lbs.
444 Permanent Villain (Nood) ... 135 lbs.	445 Orange King (Sofronoff) ... 150 lbs.
300 Whirlaway (Lum) ... 135 lbs.	446 Marianne (A. S. Wong) ... 145 lbs.
000 Bonita (Kranenoff) ... 135 lbs.	447 New Delhi (Lum) ... 137 lbs.
2.55 p.m. Race 6 CUMBERLAND HANDICAP, 1 Mile, Open Race.	448 Sunstreak (Chew) ... 150 lbs.
022 Hazy C (Leckoff) ... 150 lbs.	449 Spinning Wheel (Kranenoff) ... 153 lbs.
000 King Rider (Tokmokoff) ... 150 lbs.	450 Great Triumphant (Sofronoff) ... 150 lbs.
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SPORTING SAM

by Reg. Wootton



ENGLAND CAN WIN WORLD CUP TRIAL

Says DENNIS HART

London.

The battle for the World Soccer Cup, to be waged on the football grounds of Sweden in June, may be won at Hampden Park tomorrow. That, at least, is how England and Scotland see it.

On that day, England and Scotland meet for the 75th time on the soccer field. And the game can tell each country just how successful it has been in building a team for the World Cup, and just what each needs to do in the final weeks of preparation.

England has had to rebuild following the Munich air disaster which cost the lives of eight Manchester United players — among them England stars left half Duncan Edwards, centre forward Tommy Taylor, and left back Roger Byrne. Yet, by a strange twist of fate, that air crash, which robbed England of so much soccer talent, almost literally threw up from the wreckage a new star, Bobby Charlton, thrown 100 yards clear of the smashed-up plane, survived to become almost twice the player he was.

And he was already good. Only twenty-years-old, he was one of the brightest of the "Bobby Babes." Football was in his blood. His grandfather played League football — go old — of his uncle, while his cousin is Newcastle's famous Jackie Milburn.

But the Munich crash accelerated Charlton's progress. The added responsibility of shepherding inexperienced teenagers, who had to be plucked into the United's League side, lay on his broad young shoulders. And he rose magnificently to the occasion.

Charlton, the sharp-shooter and goal-scatterer, became the inside forward position. He played with rare dash on the wing and revealed superb ball control and passing ability.

So now he plays for England. And he is just the man England needs. For too long the attack has been stereotyped, with players having clearly defined jobs such as creating goals or scoring them.

Charlton can lend a big hand in both roles, for he has not forgotten how to shoot. He should thus give the attack fluidity.

The signs are that England recognise this need. For instance, the attack contains no regular centre forward. Derek Kevan will wear the number 9 shirt. He is normally an inside left, though a goal-scoring one admittedly.

A Good Thing

Explains team manager Walter Winterbottom: "Too much notice can be paid to the numbers players wear. So it seems that Kevan's best will not be restricted to the middle. This will be a good thing. For this strong building forward needs room in which to work."

His selection has caused much discussion. But then Kevan has been a much talked-about player all the season. Frankly, he does not look international class and has seemed out of his depth in top company.

But his soccer ability has improved and he does get goals. So when he scored three times in the "trial" match, when the English League side beat the Scottish League team, 4-1, he could hardly be left out.

On the whole this England team, looks good enough, to

match most in the world, even if its potential brilliance is not high. The defence will miss the dominating figure of Duncan Edwards, although former England amateur skipper Slater, who lost the left half berth to Edwards three years ago, is as able a replacement as one could find.

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BRAVES CHALK UP THEIR FIRST WIN

Pittsburgh Pirates Beaten 6-1

New York, Apr. 17. Eddie Mathews belted his third and fourth homers of the season and Lew Burdette chipped in with a seven-hit pitching performance that gave the World Champion Milwaukee Braves their first victory of the season today, a 6-1 decision over the Pittsburgh Pirates.

Mathews broke a 1-1 tie with a three-run homer off loser Vern Law in the fifth inning and he clouted a two-run homer off reliever Bennie Daniels in the seventh to account for five of Milwaukee's runs.

The Braves' slugging third baseman didn't hit his fourth homer last year until May 10. Pittsburgh scored its only run off Burdette in the fifth on Roberto Clemente's triple and Gene Baker's sacrifice fly. Burdette, who beat the Pirates five times last season, drove in Milwaukee's first run with a third inning single.

First Two Games

Rookie Jim Davidson clouted three singles and a double to drive in two runs and help the Giants down the Dodgers, 7-4. A crowd of only 16,520 turned out at Shea Stadium in contrast to the attendance for the first two games, which was better than 20,000 each time.

Los Angeles starter Don Newcombe, lifted in the fourth because of a pulled muscle in his back, gave up five hits and four runs to suffer the loss. Curt Barclay, who relieved San Francisco starter Johnny Antonelli in the fourth, was the winner.

The Giants scored three unearned runs in the first, losing after Pete Reese mowed up a throw at second base. Gino Cimoli homered for the Dodgers with the bases empty in the second inning and they went ahead 4-3 with a three-run rally in the fourth. The Giants, however, came right back with three runs in their half of the frame. Bob Schmidt started the rally with a home run.

In the only other National League game scheduled, Chicago was at St. Louis for a night game.

The First Time

Mickey Mantle, who has a distinctive home run trot, got a chance to use it for the first time in season today when he helped the Yankees to a 3-1 victory over the Red Sox.

Mantle's fifth inning homer with the bases empty was his first hit of the year and it came off loser Tom Brewer after the Yankees had gone ahead with a run in the first inning on Gil McDougald's single and Yogi Berra's double.

Right-hander Johnny Kuks blanked Boston until the ninth when Jackie Jensen unloaded his third homer of the campaign. Kuks held the Red Sox to seven hits four of which were made by first baseman Pete Runnels.

Ted Williams made his first appearance of the year as a pinch hitter in the eighth and grounded out with the bases empty.

Mickey Vernon's pinch double with two out in the ninth inning, drove in two runs and gave Cleveland a 3-2 triumph over Kansas City. The victory was the Indians' first of the season after two losses to the Athletics.

Duke Maas of Kansas City held a 2-1 lead until the ninth when he yielded singles to Roger Maris and Preston Ward. Vernon did the rest.

All The Way

Rookie Jim (Mudcat) Grant went all the way for the Indians allowing eight hits. Bob Cerv led the Athletics' attack with a homer and a single.

The White Sox broke into the winning column for the first time by topping the Tigers, 4-3, behind the pitching of Early Wynn and Gerry Staley.

Ex-Tiger Bubba Phillips drove in the winning run in the sixth with a single that scored Tito Francona from second. Al Smith knocked in two of the White Sox' other runs off loser Frank Lary.

Wynn gave up nine of Detroit's 11 hits, including a homer to Rene Bertoli in the sixth. Wynn pitched 6 2/3 innings and was the winner. —United Press.

THE 2,000TH WINNER OF HIS CAREER

Newmarket, Apr. 17. Doug Smith, the 2,000th winner of his career, when The Same, a 100-9 chance, beat Cardington King, the 9-4 favourite, to win the Babraby Handicap Stakes here today.

His first winner was on Denia at Salisbury in May 1952. —China Mail Special.

Matt Busby On Way Home By Rail

Munich, Apr. 17. Matt Busby, trainer of the Manchester United English football team, left Munich hospital today after a ten-week stay, following the Munich air disaster on February 6 in which he was seriously injured.

Eight of his players were killed in the air crash or died in hospital and several others were more or less seriously injured. Altogether, 23 persons were injured in the crash and after Busby's departure today, only one — newspaperman John Frederick Taylor — is still in hospital here.

Loft By Rail

Busby, who left here by rail for England, via the Netherlands, had all his ribs broken in the crash. He also broke his right leg and his foot must remain in plaster until May 6. Busby will not resume his job as trainer of the Manchester United team before the end of this Championship and Cup season, but he still hopes to be fit in time to train the Scottish team for the World Cup matches this summer. —France-Press.

CAMPO BEATEN

Paris, Apr. 17. Louis Poncey, the French National Featherweight Champion, tonight outpointed Tommy Campo of the Philippines in a ten-round staged at the Salle Wagram ring in Paris. —France-Press.

Nominate YOUR Hongkong Footballer Of The Year

Members of the public are invited to nominate Hongkong's Footballer of the Year for the current season.

It is a popularity poll organised by the China Mail, and nomination coupons will be accepted until the closing date to be announced later.

The two qualifications for nomination are:

- (1) Footballing prowess.
- (2) Sportsmanship on the field of play.

Nominations should be addressed to the Editor, China Mail, Wyndham Street.

To the Editor, China Mail.

My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into account his playing ability and his sportsmanship on the field of play is:

of the Club.

(Signed)

MERVYN ROSE BEATEN

Houston, Apr. 17. Bernard Batten playing the game of his life, upset second-seeded Mervyn Rose of Australia, 6-1, 6-2, 6-3 in the quarter-final round of the 4th Annual River Oaks Country Club Tournament today.

Abandoning his usual retreating game, the unseeded Batten, from Dallas, used sharp placements and soft lobs to beat the Australian.

Batten, repeatedly charged the net and passed the Aussie

with volleys as he dominated the match. He broke Rose's service five times in the three sets.

In the other men's quarter-final match, Davis Cupper Bar Mackay of Dayton, Ohio, lost five of the first six games to Warren Woodcock of Australia before rallying for a 7-5, 7-5, 6-4 win.

Fourth-seeded Mackay's service and volleying was the best of the tournament so far and he simply wore down the Australian. —United Press.

World Chess Champion Fighting Hard To Cut Challenger's Lead

Moscow, Apr. 17. World Chess Champion Vasily Smyslov was fighting hard to cut challenger Mikhail Botvinnik's three points lead tonight as their 17th game was adjourned, with Botvinnik leading 4-1.

Shortly before the adjournment, the game appeared to be heading for a draw, with each player having his Queen and five pawns, but Smyslov obtained a passed pawn which might prove decisive. Botvinnik, playing black, chose the Caro-Kann Defence, and after the fourth move departed from its conventional continuation, aiming at complexity.

Smyslov measured up to the situation and in manoeuvres for control of the centre, all four castles were lined up on the Queen's file, finally being exchanged on D4 after minor pieces had been disposed of.

This led to an end game which appeared at first to promise Botvinnik one of the half points he needs to draw closer to the World Championship — from which he is now removed by only 3 1/2 points. —France-Press.

Scunthorpe United Beat Barrow By Solitary Goal

London, Apr. 17. Scunthorpe United increased their lead in Division Three North of the English Football League by beating Barrow by 1-0 in Scunthorpe tonight.

Scunthorpe now have 60 points, a lead of three over Accrington Stanley. Scunthorpe still have six games to play and Accrington have only four. —Reuter.

Bald Eagle Makes Promising Start To Win Craven Stakes

Newmarket, Apr. 17. American-owned Bald Eagle, who is strongly fancied for the English colts classics, made a promising first appearance of the season here today.

Ridden by Royal jockey Harry Carr, he went smoothly to the front two and a half furlongs out in the one-mile Craven Stakes and won by a length from the fast-finishing Nagami.

Sir Victor Sassoon's Pifobed, another prominent classic candidate, was third in the field of six, three lengths further behind.

Pifobed was favourite at 11-10 on, with Bald Eagle 7-2 and Nagami 9-2.

Impressive Race

Bald Eagle, bred in the United States by Nasrullah out of Siam, is owned by Mr. Harry F. Guggenheim, an American who has large banking and copper-mine interests.

After his impressive race today, only a second of his career, he was laid at 5-1 and 5-1 for the 2,000 Guineas on April 30.

Captain Cecil Boyd-Rochford, his trainer, said: "Bald Eagle put up a very satisfactory performance today."

Mr. Guggenheim was not keen to run him in the 2,000 Guineas, but after today's race he may change his mind. The colt has plenty of speed and must have a very good chance if he goes for the Guineas before the Derby. —China Mail Special.

Jockey Club Stewards' Investigations

The Stewards of the Hongkong Jockey Club have released the following statements with regard to their investigation into the running of two horses at the 11th Race Meeting on April 5th and 7th.

The Stewards investigated the running of Flying Eagle in the 12th Race (Hampshire Handicap — 1st Section) on April 5, and having seen the film of the race, and heard the evidence of the Trainer, Shiu Po-ye, and the Rider, Mr. Starr Liu, accepted their explanation.

The Stewards considered however that the Rider should have made more effort from the Distance Post and warned him that his riding would be carefully watched in the future.

The Stewards investigated the running of Pot of Gold in the 10th Race (Essex Handicap — 2nd Section) on April 7, and having seen the film of the race, and heard the evidence of the Trainer, P. Leskoff, and the rider, Mr. K. Kwok, accepted their explanation that the pony is a "stinker" and does not respond to hard riding.

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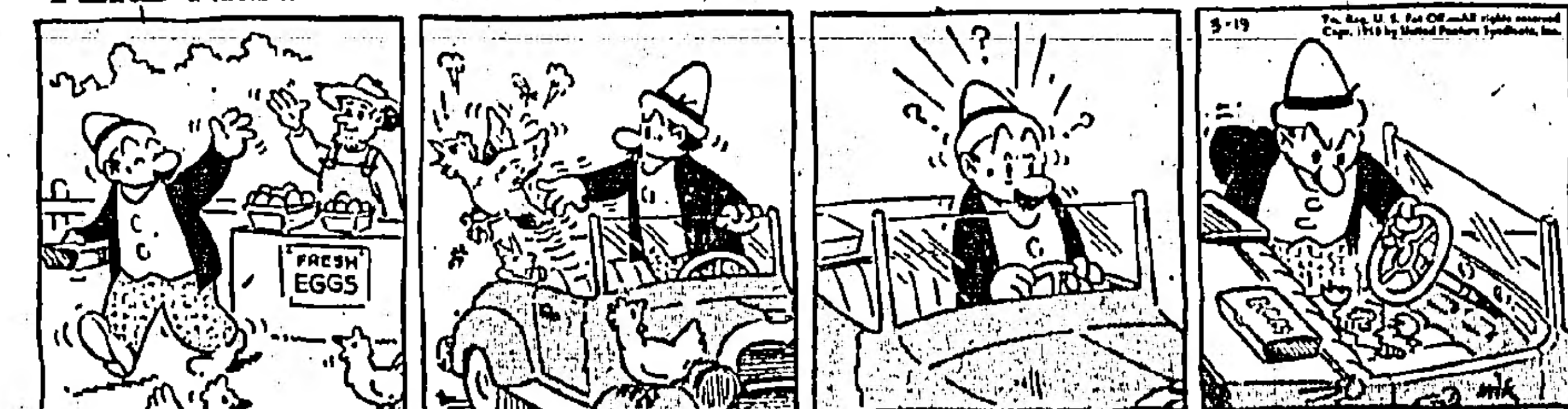
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Notice To Shareholders

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held at the Head Office of the Society, Alexandra House, Hong Kong, at 11.30 a.m. on Friday the 23rd day of May 1958 for the following purposes namely:—

1. To receive and consider the Annual Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet and the Reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon and to declare a dividend.
2. To elect Directors.
3. To appoint auditors and fix their remuneration.
4. To transact any other ordinary business of the Society.

The Transfer Books and Register of Members of the Society will be closed from Monday the 5th day of May, 1958 to Friday the 23rd day of May, 1958 both days inclusive.

By Order of The Board,
 L. B. STONE,
 General Manager.

Dated this 17th day of April, 1958.

NOTE:

- (1) A Member entitled to attend and vote at the above meeting may appoint a Proxy to attend and vote on his behalf and such Proxy need not also be a Member of the Society.
- (2) Proxy forms should be returned to the registered office of the Society, Alexandra House, Hong Kong not later than 11.30 a.m. on the 21st May, 1958.

For the convenience of shareholders resident in the United Kingdom the Society has arranged that proxies may be delivered not later than the 12th May, 1958 to the London Manager, 78-80 Cornhill, London E.C.3, for transmission by him to the Society's Registered Office.

Colony In A Corner



British Honduras, Land Of Dispute

BRITISH Honduras is one of those tiny corners of the Commonwealth which from time to time face the threat of being swallowed up by a foreign neighbour.

Mr George Price, leader of the left-wing People's United Party, was arrested there on a charge of sedition a few weeks ago. It was Mr Price who had talks with the Colonial Office in London last December.

The talks were broken off when it was learned he had met the Guatemalan Minister in London to discuss Guatemala's plan to merge British Honduras into Guatemala.

Newspapers show the many exiles little nations which stripe the narrow neck of Central America. Till 1953, five of these Spanish-settled lands formed a single Confederation.

Britain at one time had claims to the Bay Islands and the Mosquito Coast, but agreed to relinquish them in favour of the colony of British Honduras.

This tiny country was settled by British woodcutters about 1638—17 years before Jamaica was British. It was constituted a colony under Jamaica in 1862, and became an independent colony in 1954.

Yet Guatemala has never ceased to claim the densely wooded land of mahogany and cedar as her own. In 1946, Britain invited Guatemala to take the case before the International Court of Justice.

Guatemala closed the frontier in 1946. She re-opened it two years later, but still regards the colony as her own territory.

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Damaged packages are to be left in the godown for examination by consignees and the company's Surveyors. Messrs. Goddard & Douglas of 10 a.m. on Saturday, 10th April, 1958.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the godown and all goods remaining undelivered after the 15th April, 1958, or they may not be reloaded.

All claims against the vessel must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 15th April, 1958, or they may not be reloaded.

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China Mail Entertainment Guide

WHAT'S ON TONIGHT

ROXY & BROADWAY: "A Farewell To Arms." Rock Hudson and Jennifer Jones in Hemingway's great novel.
KING'S & PRINCESS: "The Bridge On The River Kwai." William Holden, Jack Hawkins and Alec Guinness in an Academy Awards winning war picture.
HOOVER & LIBERTY: "All At Sea." Alec Guinness in a new comedy.
STAR & METROPOLE: "Ivan." Nadia Gray in an adventure.
LEE & ASTOR: "Sayonara." Marlon Brando falls in love in Japan.
CAPITOL: "Coroner Creek." Randolph Scott in a western.
RITZ: "Bombers B-52." Natalie Wood and Karl Malden.
ORIENTAL & MAJESTIC: "Peyton Place." Lana Turner and an all-star cast.

Audio And Visual Entertainment

RADIO HONGKONG

5.30. Ashin Club; 6. Time Signal. Popularly "Hot" presented by Ted Thomas. 6.30. Junior Fare. 8. Minutemen for Teen-agers, introduced by Deborah Hurst. 9. Canada. Philip Alton, Canadian, who has lived among the Eskimo people, talks about his country in the first of series of four programmes. 7.45. Information Desk. 1.30. The Budget. A talk by the Hon. Frank Wilson for the Opposition. 7.45. Band of Her Majesty's Grenadier Guards, conducted by Major F. J. Harris. 7.55. Weather Report. 8. Time Signal. The Mosquito Coast. 8.15. A Paper of Pins. Barbara Lawrence sings American folk songs and talks about their origins. 8.30. John Arlott. F. R. Buxby, and Robert Fiddler in "Quality Street" by Edward J. Mason. No. 3. "Fortress Teller's Lament." 9. Time Signal. Music Lovers' Hour—Classical Requests, presented by Irene Yuen. 9.58. Weather Report. 10. Times Signal. The News and Home News from Britain. 10.15. The Four Aces (vocals). 10.30. Heinz Sandhu and dance orchestra. 10.38. Weather Report. 11. Time Signal. Radio News. 11.30. Goodnight Music. 11.30. Close Down.

REDIFFUSION

3 p.m. Joe Boddy Trio and Lenny Herman Quartet. 3.30. Strike up the Band. 4. A.B.C.—Songs with titles beginning with the letter "T". 5. Children's Corner. "The Silver Bell."

SUBLIME MUSIC BY AMADEUS STRING QUARTET

By D. E. GRAY

Last night in Lok Yew Hall, there was undoubtedly heard some of the finest music ever performed in Hongkong, when the Amadeus String Quartet gave the first of their two recitals. These players, in their 10 short years as a quartet, have acquired a world-wide reputation, great things were expected of them, and they more than came up to those high expectations. It was a magnificent treat to listen to them.

The programme opened with a Haydn Quartet (Op. 74, No. 3 in G minor), which was indeed fitting. We in Hongkong owe a great deal to this composer. There are few musical homes here, or elsewhere, in which a Haydn Quartet has not been played. His music has life and freshness which is a never-ending source of joy in every home, and has been throughout the years since his death. This particular quartet, however, is not played so frequently in amateur circles. It is not easy technically. The triplet figures, especially in the first movement, require command of smooth flowing technique. The second movement (Largo) is one of the best known movements of Haydn and it was beautifully played by the Amadeus.

The second quartet was the Brahms Op. 51 No. 2. Some say that Brahms was not particularly happy writing in this medium. It is a fact that his string quartets are not his greatest. It is also probably true that the two quartets of Op. 51 belong to the class of Brahms' music which is slow to appeal to some quite musical people. Personally, I am very fond of the No. 2. Perhaps the first movement with its flowing triplet figures is the most beautiful and here it was quite obvious what a really fine viola player the Amadeus have—when he came in on the secondary theme. But my favourite movement in this quartet is the "Minuetto". It is a gem of delicate tones, and I cannot imagine any combination playing it more beautifully than the Amadeus.

Not Finest

The last quartet in the programme was the Beethoven Op. 18 No. 3. This, actually, is probably the second or third of this opus, and it is not the finest of this group, but is no doubt the one best known to local string players. The second movement is a most affecting minor adagio. Tovey calls it "one of the great early tragic slow movements". Beethoven is said to have had in mind the tragic tomb scene in Romeo and Juliet when he wrote it. Was it taken a little too fast, last night? Some may say yes, others no—in any case, I don't think I have ever heard the last movement taken at such a pace. One could not hear some of the triplet figures in the finale. However, it may be an interpretation which we could well think about in Hongkong.

As an encore the Amadeus played the beautiful Andante movement from Schubert's String Quartet in A Minor, Op. 28, and superbly played it was. It would be interesting to learn what the Amadeus players all played on old Italian instruments. Both violinists have Peter Guarnieri of Venice violins, the viola is a Bergonzi, and the cello is a Goffredo of Venice. Apart from the outstanding artistry of the players,

there is no doubt those instruments contributed to that wonderful blend of quartet tone which one associates with a great professional quartet. Actually, it was quite an occasion in Lok Yew Hall, because a local player owns a Peter Guarnieri of Venice violin. So in one room, for the first time in this Colony, we had three instruments by this great violin maker.

It is sad to say that this, one of the finest string quartets in the world, played last night in Hongkong to a house that was little more than half full. Chamber music does not, of course, have the universal appeal of an orchestral performance, for it contains none of the drama of a full symphonic orchestra, depending on sheer musicality for its appreciation. Nevertheless, we in Hongkong are so starved of live first-class performances of any type of music that it was hoped to attract even those music lovers who are not well acquainted with chamber music.

Music Society

The Amadeus Quartet was sponsored by the Music Society of Hongkong who engaged them for two concerts, the second to take place tomorrow night. One of the Music Society's objects contained in its constitution, is to bring "the best" music to Hongkong. This it has done in sponsoring this splendid string quartet, and it is commendable that "the best" in music should be brought here by the Music Society. In the full knowledge that it would, in all probability, be financially an unsound venture.

An entirely new bill of music fare will be presented tomorrow evening—Mozart K. 421, Beethoven Op. 58, No. 3, and the well-known Dvorak "American" Quartet. What else might it be?—a more interesting Hong Kong musical public turn out in strength on Saturday night to hear the Amadeus, which is undoubtedly one of the world's finest string quartets!

SOVIET FILM HAS A BRITISH HERO

A BRITISH Royal Air Force pilot who is shot down over Nazi-occupied Russia during World War II and returns 13 years later on a sentimental journey is the hero of the latest film to be completed in the Soviet Union.

The film, "Memory of the Heart" is remarkable in these days of East-West tension not only for its subject but for the fact that apart from the two main stars most of the other players are amateurs. Andrei Popov, one of the Soviet Union's leading actors, plays the part of the pilot and Russian cinema queen Tamara Makarova takes the role of the woman who nurses him back to health after his crash and helps him to escape to a partisan camp.

LONDON

A number of the scenes are set in London. Without going to London, Gorki Studios, the producers, have gone to tremendous trouble to make those shots appear authentic. They show shooting newsmen, double-deck buses, and typical "well advertisements, but in fact they were all filmed in a street just off Moscow's Red Square.

The amateur players were drawn from a small colony of Westerners who have made Moscow their home. They include three Britons who settled in the Soviet Union some years ago and Sally Beltrage, 21-year-old daughter of Cedric Beltrage, a journalist, expelled from the United States in 1955 for alleged "Communist activities." Sally Beltrage came to Moscow for the Young Festival last summer and later travelled

Entertaining Boy Friends In Private NOT ALLOWED IN COLLEGES

London, Apr. 17. Girl students in 11 of London's 31 teacher-training colleges are not allowed to entertain their boy friends privately in their own rooms, states a report by a student investigating team.

The report was prepared by the executive of London University Students' Association for a students' conference. "We are much perturbed to note the excessive restrictions on entertaining, particularly of male visitors, placed on students at many (women's) colleges," it goes on.

"In 11 colleges, no allowance is made for students to entertain male visitors privately in their own rooms, and in four others limited permission is granted for such entertaining, sometimes at the discretion of a hostel warden, during specified hours."

PUNISHABLE

"Systems of fines are evident in many colleges. Among offences punishable by fine—sometimes at the discretion of individual members of staff—are lateness for meals, running along corridors, and leaving water running in an unattended bath."

Male students, the report adds, were able to lead "a far more normal social life." In London's two mixed colleges "the relationships between students and staff seem to be entirely amicable, the academic atmosphere and degree of personal freedom completely liberal and the sense of community extremely high."

—China Mail Special.

Never Accept

Tunis, Apr. 17. Algerian rebels will never accept elections in Algeria even under international control while the country is under French rule, the organ of the Algerian Front National Liberation Front (FLN) declared today. El Moudjahid was replying to a suggestion for international supervision of elections in Algeria put forward by Action, the organ of Tunisia's ruling Neo-Destour Party. —United Press.

Katmandu, Apr. 17. Nepal has raised its Government office at Lhasa, to consular rank under provisions of the China-Nepal Treaty, the Foreign Office announced today. —United Press.

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THE development by the Hongkong Football Club for providing additional recreation for its members are proceeding apace, and before the year is out, a lawn bowls green and tennis courts will be available. They occupy the vacant plot of land between the clubhouse and the football ground, and already the mow for the lawn has been laid and is now in a state of tending, whilst the muck on the tennis court is in hand. It is doubtful whether either will be opened for play this summer.

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From the Files 25 years AGO

FATE was kind to Mr Lo Kwai-keung, proprietor and Editor-in-Chief of the Tin Nam Daily News, a local vernacular daily newspaper, when the Tin Nam was obliged to give a coherent account of what had happened to the Police. The alleged assailant was arrested after a long chase through the crowded streets by PC300 and Mr Lewis Woo, an ex-scout of the 1st Key (St Joseph's) Troop. Mr Lo was formerly an executive of the Provincial Kuomintang in Canton in the time of General Chan Min-shu.

The Hongkong Area Athletic (Army Sports) meeting will be held at Soekunpoo this afternoon (April 19) and tomorrow afternoon.

ABIGAIL advises the women-folk: Although many Hongkong women do very little actual housework, they have, or should have, a certain routine planned according to individual circumstances. The intelligent women, however, realize that routine lacks the danger word "rout" and this awareness brings the urge to challenge this danger.

Think of the scope of Hongkong women have. If you work to make your house a haven for those you love, you are bound to enrich your own vitality and preserve its magic essence from extinction in a rut.

"War is an Undesirable Means of Settling International Disputes" is the proposition to be proposed by Mr Lo Kwai-keung and seconded by Mr Lim Tse-ling and supported by Mr. Ho Yee-tung at 8.30 p.m. in the Union Assembly Room of the University. All interested are welcome to attend the debate.

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Sheaffer's
NEW BALLPOINT
STERLING SILVER TIP

POCKET CARTOON
by OSBERT LANCASTER
(in America)

"What was that old-world phrase about prosperity being just around the corner?"

GARRISON PLAYERS

The Garrison Players are offering an old favourite as their last production of the season. "You Can't Take It With You" was originally produced in New York in 1936 and enjoyed a long successful run as one of the many Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman successes. In selecting "You Can't Take It With You," the Garrison Players expect to bring Hongkong audiences an amusing and memorable evening to climax the 1957-58 season.

"You Can't Take It With You" involves the happy-go-lucky Sycamore family. They all believe in living life to its fullest and pursuing their own rather doubtful talents. Grandpa, mother, father, two daughters, son-in-law, and the ice man all live merrily under the same roof. When the younger daughter's future "Park Avenue" in-laws come for dinner, chaos reigns. But the family, as usual, end up on top.

This light-hearted production will be presented on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, April 24, 25, and 26 at 9 p.m. at the King George's Hall, the Music to Seamen, Gloucester Road, Hongkong. Tickets available at Skinners.

'Trouble'

Feasterville, Penn., Apr. 17. A burly intruder ran into "Trouble" when he invaded the kitchen of a 68-year-old widow last night and started to choke her with a dog's leash.

The widow, Mrs. Mary Varga, called for her dog, "Trouble," who was in the bedroom. Trouble leaped on the intruder's back and sank his teeth into his neck and shoulders.

The man ran screaming from the house.—United Press.

IT WAS ALL IN VAIN!

Lyons, Apr. 17.

A FRENCH soldier who shot off his right big toe to avoid returning to the Algerian fighting front learned today his self-inflicted wound was all in vain.

A military court here informed the soldier, Roger Guichon, 23, that a missing big toe is "not incompatible with military service" and that he would return to his unit as soon as he finished six months in the stockade.—United Press.

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Labour Accused Of Discrimination Against US Goods

London, Apr. 17.

Mr Reginald Maudling, Paymaster General, said tonight the Labour Party's policy was clearly to increase discrimination against American imports.

American imports, now freely admitted to Britain, were by and large basic foodstuffs and raw materials. People would buy them from America rather than Australia or anywhere else because they were cheaper.

"If we return to a discrimination against American imports of food and raw materials, we will be forcing our people to pay higher prices for food and raw materials, which is a very strange way of dealing with inflation."

Purchase Tax

Mr Maudling was speaking in a House of Commons debate on the Government's budget proposals, chief of which is a £41 million cut in purchase tax on household goods.

He said the Government was clearly bound to maintain discrimination in these matters only when justified by balance of payments reasons.

On the question of exchange controls, Mr Maudling said: "It remains the policy of the British Government to work towards the convertibility of sterling. But if the opposition believe in this as we do, then you must time the process in the light of events."

Not Afraid

For the opposition, Mr Patrick Gordon-Walker, a former secretary for Commonwealth Relations, said the nation needed a Government which was not afraid to plan for expansion. It needed a new forward thrust.

The Government should consider the possible use of import controls. Export incentives should be used on a larger scale.

Sir Robert Boothby, Conservative, said the underdeveloped countries were starved of capital.

The simplest solution would be to raise the dollar price of gold. The only way to get real convertibility was for the United States enormously to increase

the liquid reserves of the free world.

He suggested a summit economic conference with the United States, Canada, Germany and perhaps France, to discuss the problem of reserves.—Reuter.

FILIPINO SINGER

Miss Barbara Virtuoso, an attractive little vocalist, who has been teaching for five years and holds a BSc diploma from the University of the Philippines, will be singing at Maxim's until May 1 when she leaves for Calcutta for a six months' singing engagement.

Pressmen were entertained to an impromptu concert this morning in Maxim's by the vocalist whose professional name is Miss Barbara. She sang popular numbers, Filipino folk songs and a special cycling ditty in honour of Mr Norman Donny, a journalist who attends many of his assignments by bicycle.

Miss Barbara said that her late father had been an engineer in the service of the Philippines Government in Manila, and that she had nine brothers and sisters. Although she enjoyed teaching and would return to her work at the end of the Indian contract, Miss Barbara said she was very pleased by her success as a singer which had led to engagements in Bangkok after Manila, in Hongkong and the contract in Calcutta.

Largest HK Registered Vessel

John Manners' new dry cargo vessel West Breeze (12,569 tons deadweight) arrived here yesterday afternoon on her maiden voyage from Dairen via Shanghai.

Mr E. de Lasala, son of the Governing Director of John Manners Mr R.P. de Lasala, and the master of the ship, Capt. Idris Cowie, entertained executives of shipping and other business firms at a cocktail party on board last night.

The West Breeze, second of a series ordered by John Manners, is the largest vessel under Hongkong registry.

West Breeze is built largely on ideas conceived by the Governing Director over a period of 20 years' experience.

On her trial run out of the Japanese yard the West Breeze did over 17 knots.

Registrars

Messrs Lau Chi-hong, Mark Shing-chun and Chan Hong-keung have been appointed Assistant Registrars of Persons, with effect from April 15, today's Government Gazette states.

SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE

Mr Yeap Cheong-yow has been appointed Secretary to the Education Scholarships Fund Committee as from April 12, during the absence of Mr Cheung Shiu-tong, according to the Government Gazette today.

Crown Counsel

Mr G. R. Sneath resumed his duty as Crown Counsel and consequently the warrant whereby he was appointed a Magistrate has been revoked, according to the Government Gazette today.

Chi Pai-Shi Memorial Exhibition

By Dr E. V. Diao

Almost one year has passed since this great old man of Chinese painting left us. His name is world known and reproductions of his works are found in many homes on the Continent.

Chi Pai-shi (1800-1867) was born in a very poor peasant family. He became a cowherd and in his later years an itinerant carpenter. He also learned at that time the art of seal engravings, which was one of his favourite occupations until end of his long life. Already as a boy he had great pleasure observing nature and to paint it, although at the beginning his teachers were only folk artists. At this time he often decorated the beams and panels of houses. He learned reading and writing. Chinese classical literature and began to compose poems himself. When he grew old, legends arose about him—at the age of 87 his hand didn't tremble when holding the brush. He was very modest. Even when already a famous painter and President of the Union of Chinese Artists, he wouldn't ask more than the equivalent of HK\$50 for a picture, which now could be valued 10 times more.

EXTREMELY LUCKY

The public in Hongkong is extremely lucky to have the opportunity of seeing now more than 100 of his original works exhibited in the Chinese Chamber of Commerce. It was the initiative of the collectors themselves who took the trouble to organise and sponsor this exhibition, embracing the recovered master's pictures owned by 27 collectors in the Colony.

These watercolour and ink paintings show us a great inspiration. There is no artifice in Chi Pai-shi's work. He does not go back to examples of great painting with which he done a thousand years before he was born, but paints living things in a lively and fresh style. This spontaneous quality reminds us of folk art and especially the charming old Chinese paper cuts. He achieves sometimes monumental, as in the painting "Hawk on a Pine Tree" (coll. of Mr Hui Po-chao), and often we recognise his hearty humour as in the "Autumn Clouds" (coll. of Mr C. Chang). Very seldom he uses objects not found together in nature, as for instance in "Doves" (coll. of Mr Liu Feng-ju) where the birds are near to a classically designed flower vase, but mostly the pictures give us the impression which could be caught by one glance as in the "Shrimps" (coll. of Prof. Ma Kiam).

GENEROUS ACT

Chi Pai-shi is a master in colour composing. Sometimes he uses daring combinations and sometimes he takes the various shades of ink only, but always achieving an outstanding contrast of light and dark. Some delicious examples are "Butterfly" (coll. of Miss Wei Wei), "Gold Fish" (coll. of Mr Y. P. Huang), "Loquat" (coll. of Mr Hsieh Teh-hsien), "Plum Blossoms and Banana-tree" (coll. of Dr T. Y. Li).

There is one of his smaller paintings which could be taken as done by a great modern French painter—it is "Persimmon" (coll. of Mr Li Fan-tai). Here Chi Pai-shi adopts no other pictorial means than colour, composition and texture.

It is really a generous act of the various collectors to allow their treasured paintings to be put on exhibition—unfortunately only until Saturday. We hope that it will encourage collectors of other art items to do the same.

Port Welfare Committee

Mr Andrew K. K. Lam has been appointed a Member of the Port Welfare Committee with effect from April 10, according to the Government Gazette today.

Brewin Trust

Mr Cheung Chan-hon, Chairman of the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals, and Mr D. Y. Fong, Chairman of Po Leung Kuk, have been appointed Members of the Brewin Trust Fund Committee for 12 months from April 1, 1958, to March 31, 1959, according to the Government Gazette today.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



Legal Fraternity Say Farewell To Judge Wicks

Judge James Wicks in the Victoria District Court remarked during his last session in a court of Hongkong this morning that it was a very sad occasion to leave the Colony's members of the legal profession.

He made his farewell remarks following addresses given by representatives of the profession. The Senior Crown Counsel, Mr W. A. Blair-Kerr, in his address to His Honour said, "I understand this is Your Honour's last case in the courts of Hongkong before you leave us to take up your appointment as Judge in Kenya."

Kindness

"On behalf of the Attorney-General and my colleagues in the Legal Department I wish to thank you for the kindness and consideration which we have all experienced at your hands in the courts in which you have sat."

My association with Your Honour lasted over 10 years, indeed at the beginning we were colleagues in Kowloon Magistracy. I wish Your Honour farewell and also every success and happiness in your new appointment.

Mr A. E. Arculli then addressed His Honour on behalf of the members of the Law Society.

Mr Arculli said, "I wish to be associated with the remarks made by Mr Blair-Kerr. We, too, wish to express our appreciation of the unfailing consideration with which you have heard us for so many years. We bid you farewell and wish you all success in your new appointment."

Good Wishes

In reply, Judge Wicks said, "Mr Blair-Kerr and Mr Arculli, I thank you for your good wishes and all you have said."

"Mr Blair-Kerr, I am particularly happy that you are here this morning as I sit with you on the bench for the first time after my arrival in Hongkong in July 1948. It has always been a pleasure when Crown Counsel have appeared before me, pleasant because cases have been presented with unvarying fairness and nothing concealed that could assist an accused person in his defence."

"Mr Arculli, I must express my appreciation of the way in which members of the Law Society and members of the Bar Association have presented and conducted their cases particularly in the forceful way in which cases have been fought on behalf of your clients."

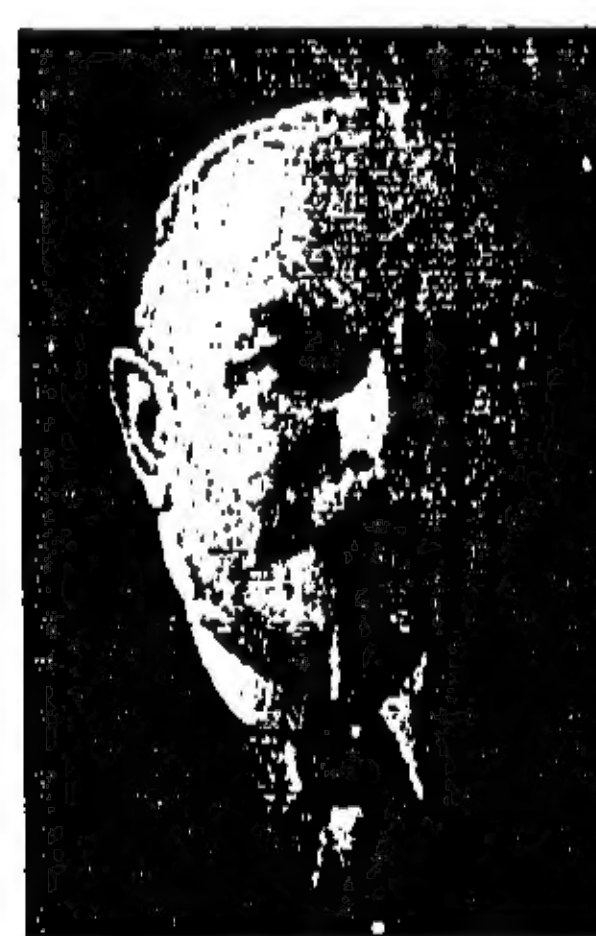
Benefitted

Continuing, His Honour said, "I personally have benefitted greatly from my experience on the bench in Hongkong and I take that with me. To leave you is a sad occasion and I wish you all well."

CRITTALL DIRECTOR COMING

Mr G. F. Gardner, Export Director of the Crittall Manufacturing Co., Ltd. of UK, one of the well known makers of steel windows, is visiting Hongkong on a business tour.

Mr Gardner is arriving tomorrow by BOAC and will be entertained during his week's stay here by Messrs Dodwell and Co., agent for the British concern.



MR. G. F. GARDNER

Mr Gardner is coming here to study the Colony's requirements in view of the tremendous construction going on and to study his company's technical service available for Hongkong users.

Mr Gardner is no stranger in the Colony. He had been in Shanghai and Hongkong for many years prior to the Pacific War and has many friends in the Far East. He has re-visited Hongkong once since 1945.

Mr Gardner will be leaving for Singapore and Malaya on Sunday week.

Resettlement Inspectors

Messrs Lun Kai-chai, Peter Cheng, Ng Chi-wai and Wei Bing-hong have been appointed Inspectors under the Emergency (Resettlement Areas) General Rule, according to the Government Gazette today. The officers were appointed by the Chairman of the Urban Council.

CREW, AGENTS & CHARTERERS WIN ACTION AGAINST SHIP

Mr Justice J. R. Gregg at the Admiralty Court this morning, entered judgment for the master, 32 crew members, the local agents and charterers of the 8,000-ton British freighter, Portaritissa, in three actions against the freighter.

Government Appointments Gazetted

The following appointments, postings, transfers, and promotions in the various Government departments were announced in today's Government Gazette:

Public Works

Mr H. W. Forsyth, Assistant Director of PWD, to be Deputy Director as from March 30.

Mr J. Alexander, engineer, to be Assistant Chief Engineer. The appointment is to date from December 1, 1957.

Mr W. Peeling has been promoted to Inspector of Works, Class I as from April 9.

Education

Mr Peter James Holloway Holmes to be an Education Officer on probation as from March 7.

Mr Liu Tzu-yen to be a Sub-Inspector of Schools.

Mr Wong Chai-lok ceased to be a Sub-Inspector of Schools from April 14.

Justice

Mr B. J. Jennings has been appointed a Magistrate as from April 6. Mr Jennings, who arrived in Hongkong on April 13, is on transfer from the Federation of Malaya.

Civil Aids

Lieut-Col C. G. Hillard has been appointed Principal Training Officer as from March 19, two days before his arrival in Hongkong.

Inland Revenue

Mr N. F. Fahy, Chief Assessor, to be Acting Assistant Commissioner as from March 31, vice Mr K. M. Almas.

Medical

Mr D. H. Small, Dental Surgeon, ceased to act as Specialist (Dental) on resumption of duty by Mr W. C. Allwright on April 1.

Mr D. T. Smith, Senior Executive Officer, Class II, to be Acting Principal Accountant.

The Messrs Mary Lee, Shirley Lam, Gloria Young, Daphne Lam have been appointed Nursing Sisters as from April 1.

Commerce, Industry

Mr S. G. Darr, Executive Officer, Class I, to be Acting Senior Accountant and Secretary as from April 1.

Urban Services

Mr N. M. Taylor, Executive Officer, Class II, to be Acting Senior Accountant as from April 1.

Marine

Mr R. W. Coleman resumed duty as Senior Surveyor of Ships on April 1 on returning from leave.

Consequently, Mr A. Buckley, Surveyor, ceased to act as Senior Surveyor.

N.T. Office

Mr E. A. Hutchinson, Executive Officer, Class I, to be Acting Senior Accountant and Secretary.

Treasury

Mr A. J. M. Prata, Executive Officer, Class I, to be Acting Principal Accountant.

DEFENCE FORCE

The promotion of Lieut F. J. Anslow to Captain in the Hongkong Regiment has been approved by the Government Gazette today.

The Gazette also confirms the appointment of Acting Lieut (SP) T. F. Lewis to that of Lieutenant (SP) with original seniority of April 1, 1957 in the HKINFV.

It also states that Pilot Officer J. M. Gray of the HKAAF has been posted to the Reserve of Officers in the Royal Hongkong Defence Force.

Mr Justice Gregg also reversed the three actions to the Registrar for the assessment of the damage due to the various claimants and also made an order for appraisal and sale of the ship.

The claimants in the three actions consolidated into one were Capt Michael Mantzavinos, 32 crew members, Messrs Barretto Shipping (HK) Ltd, (local agents of the ship), and a German firm, the Deutscher Inner. Urs Aussen Handel Nahrung, charterers.

Arrears

The master, crew and agents were represented by Mr S.V. Gillet, instructed by Brutton and Co. The charterers were represented by Mr D.A.L. Wright, instructed by Deacons.

The master and crew claimed arrears of wages up to March 11, and damage in lieu of wages and allowances from March 11 to the date of settlement, subsistence allowance, and repatriation. Capt. Mantzavinos also claimed disturbances.

Mr Justice Gregg awarded judgment to the agents of the ship for necessities supplied to the ship up to March 24. His Lordship also entered judgment for the charterers for damage sustained by them by breach of the charter party, and also ordered for the condemnation of the ship in such damages and costs.

Assessment

In making an order to refer the actions to the Registrar for the assessment of damages, His Lordship also directed that the Registrar be assisted by Mr J. Montague Ebbs, of the Marine Department.

No appearance was entered by the owners of the ship during the hearing and leave to proceed in the actions ex-parte had been granted.

THE CLASH IN COURT

THE most compelling legal dramas are often enacted when the Expert steps into the witness box and counsel begins to cross-examine him.

This is the theme of Edgar Lustgarten's new play which begins on Saturday.

In it the famous broadcaster, novelist and orator sets the verbal clashes in court when the Expert gives evidence.

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